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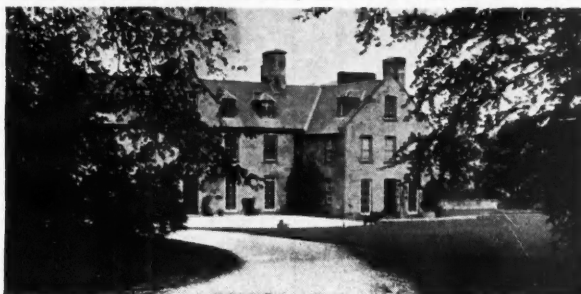
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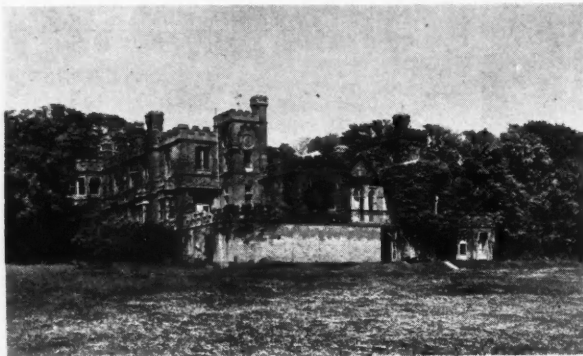
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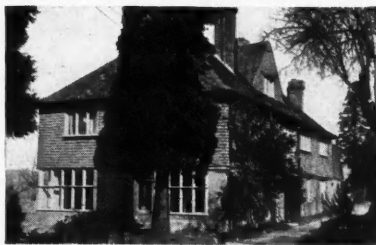
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## RUTLAND

Oakham 2 miles. Melton Mowbray 11 miles.

A Modernised Freehold Residence  
THE BARN, BRAUNSTON

containing 8 bedrooms, lounge hall, 3 reception rooms, 3 bathrooms, maids' sitting room, modern offices. Partial central heating, main electricity, water and drainage.

Charming small garden; excellent stabling with harness room and groom's room. Garage.

IN ALL ABOUT 1 ACRE

For Sale by Auction (unless sold privately) at the Victoria Hall, Oakham, on Friday, June 30, at 3 p.m.

Particulars from the Joint Auctioneers: D. N. & J. ROYCE, Market Place, Oakham (Tel. 20) and JOHN D. WOOD & Co., 23, Berkeley Square, London, W.1.

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ABOUT 28 ACRES

Full particulars from DREWEATT, WATSON & BARTON, Newbury (Tel. 1), and JOHN D. WOOD & Co., 23, Berkeley Square, London, W.1. (10,390)

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GARAGE.

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For Sale by Auction (unless previously sold privately) at Cheltenham on June 29, 1950.

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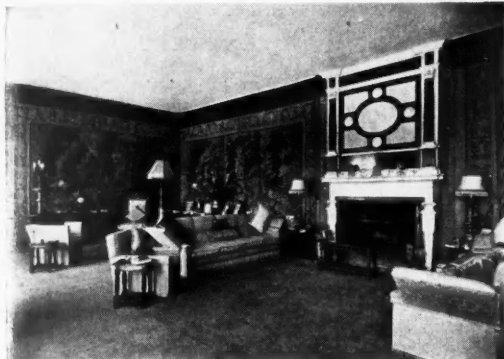
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Including the fine stone-built Residence

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9 bed. and dressing rooms, day and night nurseries, 5 bathrooms, hall and 3 reception rooms, modern offices with Aga.

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5 COTTAGES, 2 FLATS. Attested and Licensed T.T. Farm.

With standings for 30, modern milking parlour, etc.

ABOUT 173 ACRES. WITH VACANT POSSESSION (EXCEPT ONE COTTAGE)

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WELL BUILT AND EQUIPPED MODERN HOUSE IN A DELIGHTFUL SITUATION



3 reception rooms, 6 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms. Staff flat.

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Main electric light and power. Main water.

GARAGE FOR 3 CARS.

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NEARLY 7 ACRES

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Compact domestic offices.

Central heating and all main services.

2 cottages. Excellent out-buildings. Model cowshed and range of pigsties. Gardens, orchard, meadow and arable land, IN ALL

ABOUT 15 ACRES



FOR SALE £21,000

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BEAUTIFUL STONE-BUILT REGENCY HOUSE

with many period features, the subject of an article in COUNTRY LIFE. Recently completely modernised.

Hall, 3 reception rooms, study, modern offices with Esse, 9 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms.

Central heating

Main electricity. Ample water. Garage. Service cottage. Attractive gardens, 3 orchards and home farm.



ABOUT 50 ACRES

FREEHOLD WITH VACANT POSSESSION

JOHN D. WOOD & CO., 23, Berkeley Square, London, W.1. (73,190)

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## BUCKINGHAMSHIRE AND NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BORDERS

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Compact residential and agricultural property, comprising an excellent stone-built house on two floors, approached by long drive.

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MAIN ELECTRICITY, POWER AND WATER.

LODGE AND 5 COTTAGES ON SERVICE TENANCIES, EACH WITH: BATHROOM, ELECTRICITY AND WATER.

10 LOOSE BOXES. HEATED GARAGE.

Home Farm of about 82 ACRES pasture, and 46 ACRES arable. T.T. cowhouse for 25, and splendid range of buildings.

AREA 170 ACRES

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GROSVENOR 1553  
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Actually adjoining well-known golf course.  
**BEAUTIFULLY DESIGNED AND APPOINTED MODERN RESIDENCE**  
in the South African style, in perfect order and occupying a splendid position close to the sea.



6 principal bedrooms,  
4 staff bedrooms,  
4 bathrooms,  
3 reception rooms.

Central heating.

Main services.

**DETACHED COTTAGE,  
GARAGES  
and outbuildings.**

**ABOUT 1 ACRE**

**FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH VACANT POSSESSION  
OF THE WHOLE**

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*Between Canterbury and Ashford.*  
**A PICTURESQUE 17th CENTURY RESIDENCE**



With many historical associations.  
4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, lounge, 2 reception rooms.  
Staff annexe. Central heating. Main water and electricity.  
Pair of modern cottages. Double garage. Stabling, etc.

**FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH 100 ACRES  
VACANT POSSESSION**

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*Enjoying one of the finest views in the locality. Bus route  
1 minute's walk. Main line station 2 miles.*



**A WELL-BUILT FAMILY COUNTRY RESIDENCE**

6 bedrooms, dressing room, bathroom, 3 reception rooms.  
Main electricity, gas and water, cesspool drainage.  
2 garages with three living rooms over.

**FREEHOLD FOR SALE WITH 2 ACRES**

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*Beautifully situated, 3 miles from Town at the foot of the Sperrin Mountains, 17 miles  
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**HISTORIC STONE-BUILT PROPERTY**

Entirely modernised, suitable for residence, school or hotel.

3 reception rooms, 5 principal bedrooms (h. and c. basins fitted), 4 smaller bedrooms, 2 bathrooms.

Electrical heating throughout. Telephone. Main electricity. Unfailing water supply. Modern drainage.

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Salmon and trout fishing available within 1 mile, also rod on exclusive syndicate. Local pack of hounds. Rough shooting available.

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(Or house would be sold with smaller acreage.)

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3/4 bedrooms, bathroom, 2/3 reception rooms. Old oak beams. Main water and e.l. Small range substantial buildings with hen batteries, brooders, etc. Garden and 3 meadows. £5,000 including all dead stock and poultry fittings, electric cooker and refrigerator.

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**DELIGHTFUL MODERN  
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7 BEDROOMS, 2 BATHROOMS,

3 RECEPTION ROOMS.

GOOD OFFICES.

MAIN SERVICES.

CENTRAL HEATING.

GARDENER'S COTTAGE.

LARGE GARAGE.

USEFUL OUTBUILDINGS.

THE GROUNDS MOSTLY IN THEIR  
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LAWN, ORNAMENTAL LAKE AND  
SWIMMING POOL.

IN ALL ABOUT 5 ACRES

**FOR SALE BY AUCTION** at The London Auction Mart, 155, Queen Victoria Street, E.C.4, on Wednesday, June 28, 1950 (unless previously sold privately).  
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**SUSSEX FARMHOUSE. 16 ACRES. £6,400.**

**THOROUGHLY MODERNISED** and beautifully situated near station. 3 reception, 3 beds., bath, modern kitchen. Electricity and water. Modern drainage. Excellent buildings including piggery. Food allocation.—Inspected and **strongly recommended** by Sole Agents.

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**JUST OFFERED.** First to view certain to buy.—**CHARMING LITTLE 17th-CENTURY GEM.** Most perfect condition, full of fascinating period features, large inglenook, oak beams plus every modern comfort. Hall, 2 reception, 2 beds. (additional rooms easily added) (basin h. and c.), bathroom, domestic offices. Main electricity. Septic tank drainage; water laid on. Garage. Large garden with established fruit.—**Early inspection advised** by Sole Agents.

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**CLOSE** to good station in favourite district only 31 miles London. Oak beams, open fireplaces, very excellent repair. 3 reception, 3 beds, studio, bathroom, usual offices. Main electricity, water, and drainage. Garage. Matured garden 1 ACRE with fruit. **£4,000.**

**SURREY, IN A PRETTY GARDEN**

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**TAUNTON. T.T. FARM. 63 ACRES.**

**LOVELY POSITION. SUPERIOR FARM HOUSE**, river watered. 2 sitting, 6 beds., bathroom. Splendid buildings tying 22. **FREEHOLD. £8,500.** Early inspection advised. Immediate possession.

**KENT. PERIOD HOUSE AND PROFITABLE FARM**

**A CHARMING LITTLE HOLDING** such as is very seldom available. Only 40 miles London in picturesque surroundings. Delightful farmhouse dated 1750. 2 rec., 4/6 beds., bathroom. Main water, e.l. and power. T.T. cowhouse for 26. Productive land, **46 ACRES**, including small orchard **FREEHOLD. VERY LOW PRICE. POSSESSION.**



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ABOUT 2½ ACRES

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### SMALL STONE-BUILT MANOR HOUSE

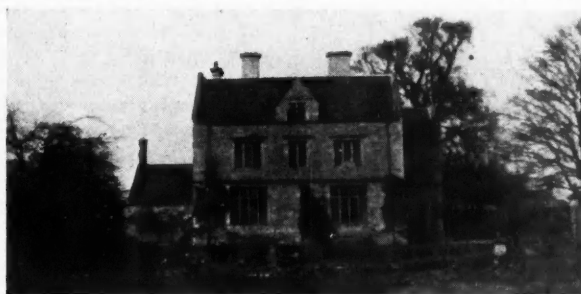
OFFERED AT A BARGAIN PRICE QUICK SALE

ONLY £4,250 FREEHOLD

#### THE LOVELY OLD HOUSE

Is secluded in an attractive village, two hours run from London, with choice of two first-class main line services and bus service near.

IT IS SUBSTANTIALLY BUILT OF STONE WITH STONE TILED ROOF AND MUL-  
LIONED WINDOWS AND HAS THE  
ADVANTAGE OF MAIN ELECTRICITY,  
WATER AND DRAINAGE.



Sole Agents: CURTIS & HENSON, as above.

The accommodation comprises:  
CENTRAL HALL with half-panelled walls,  
2 fine RECEPTION ROOMS,

Original 16th-century STAIRCASE.

4 PRINCIPAL BEDROOMS,  
4 BATHROOMS and  
5 SECONDARY ROOMS.

Good Offices and stone-built outbuildings  
including  
GARAGE FOR 2 CARS, 2 BOXES AND  
2 STALLS.

Charming old garden and ¾ ACRE paddock.

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*3 miles from old market town of Lewes. Frequent and fast rail service to London.*



A DELIGHTFUL  
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of about  
100 ACRES

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of medium size, situated in a most  
perfect setting. 8 principal bed-  
rooms, 2 nurseries, 5 bathrooms  
and good secondary accommoda-  
tion. Complete offices. Main elec-  
tric light. Adequate estate water  
supply. Garage. Excellent stabling  
with flat over. Home farm with  
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FREEHOLD FOR SALE  
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*Beautifully situated with fine views of the Malverns*



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Land in excellent heart.

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CHARMING TUDOR MANOR HOUSE. Built of  
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*1 mile station, 20 miles London. On bus route. Secluded  
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pletely modernised at great expense. 3 large bedrooms  
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large lounge, dining room, model offices. All main services;  
2 garages. Stabling and other useful outbuildings. Matured  
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Of considerable charm and in a lovely setting. 3 reception (lounge 23 ft. by 14 ft. 6 in.), 5 bed. and dressing rooms, modern bathroom, modern offices. Aga. Main electricity. Garage. Small stable. Lovely old garden, productive orchard. **2½ ACRES. PRICE £8,850. VERY LOW RATES.** Agents, WILSON & Co., 23, Mount Street, W.1, and SQUIRE HERBERT & Co., 2a, Bolton Road, Eastbourne.

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Within 9 miles of Salisbury and set within charming old gardens of an acre. 5/6 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 3 reception. "Aga." In capital order with wealth of old oak. **BARGAIN AT £8,500**  
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#### A BRICK AND TILE- HUNG RESIDENCE

of 6 bedrooms, dressing room, bathroom, 3 reception rooms, lounge hall, kitchen, etc.

All main services. Garage. Featured gardens and grounds, including ornamental and kitchen gardens, rough grass and woodland.

**IN ALL ABOUT 1½ ACRES**

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### BETWEEN FARNHAM AND FRENESHAM

In exceptionally choice situation on summit of a hill.

**GENTLEMAN'S BEAUTIFULLY FITTED SMALL COUNTRY RESIDENCE**

8 bedrooms (4 with basins h. and c.), 2 bathrooms, 3 reception rooms, fine music room.

**5 ACRES** of delightful grounds and woodland.

Garage for 3 cars.

Central heating. Modern gas hot water circulators.



Main electricity and power, gas and water.

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5 minutes' walk station.

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5 bedrooms, bathroom, 2 reception rooms. Attractive entrance hall with cloakroom.

Garage. Beautiful secluded garden.

**ALL MAIN SERVICES.**

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**Good Accredited Dairy Farm with fine living accommodation and 4 Cottages FOR SALE AS A GOING CONCERN**

Situate ½ mile large village. Easy distance main line station.

#### LOVELY OLD GEORGIAN FARMHOUSE

6 bedrooms, bathroom, 3 reception rooms, kitchen, usual domestic offices. Garage.

Garden and orchard.

Main water and electricity. Modern drainage.

Range of farm buildings up to T.T. standard.

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Main line station (Waterloo 30 minutes) about 1 mile. Golf and racing amenities nearby.

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Garage for 3 cars.

**CENTRAL HEATING THROUGHOUT.**

All main services.

**2 acres** of lovely gardens and bungalow cottage in grounds.

**PRICE FREEHOLD £9,500. OFFERS CONSIDERED**

(Weybridge Office.)

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Ideal for family man and golfing enthusiast.

#### A SUBSTANTIAL DETACHED RESIDENCE

in delightful secluded position, yet within easy reach station, shops and 5 minutes West Byfleet Golf Course; several other courses nearby.

7 bedrooms (2 could be used for staff), 2 reception rooms, excellent kitchen, 2 bathrooms.

1 acre pretty garden. Full central heating supplied by luxury "Janitor" boiler.

Owner will consider reasonable offers. Splendid opportunity.

**FREEHOLD**

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Containing entrance hall, drawing room, dining room, domestic offices, 5 principal and 5 secondary bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Ample outbuildings, 3 loose boxes, gardens and paddock, and gardener's bungalow. **3½ ACRES IN ALL.**

**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT POSSESSION**

To be Sold by Auction (unless previously sold by private treaty) at Dorchester on Wednesday, July 12, 1950, at 3 p.m.

Illustrated particulars and conditions of sale of the Auctioneers.

**"THE BAILE HOUSE," NEAR WIMBORNE, DORSET. A DETACHED COUNTRY RESIDENCE** standing within 3½ acres of garden with paddocks on either side. **12½ ACRES TOTAL AREA.** Hall, 3 reception rooms, domestic offices, 4 first floor bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 4 secondary bedrooms and bathroom. Outbuildings. Walled garden. All mains services. **IMMEDIATE POSSESSION. £7,250.**

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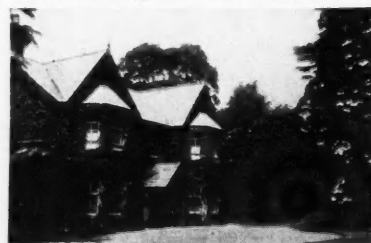
#### IN THE VILLAGE OF SUNNINGHILL

1½ miles from Ascot Station. In convenient and pleasant position.

#### AN ATTRACTIVE OLD HOUSE OF MEDIUM SIZE

In perfect order throughout. Beautifully appointed and well planned.

Hall, 2 reception rooms, 5 bedrooms (4 with basins), 2 luxuriously appointed bathrooms. Complete domestic offices. Central heating throughout (gas boiler). Excellent garage building with room over (suitable for conversion).



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5-ROOMED BUNGALOW

USEFUL

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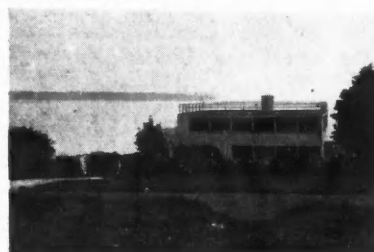
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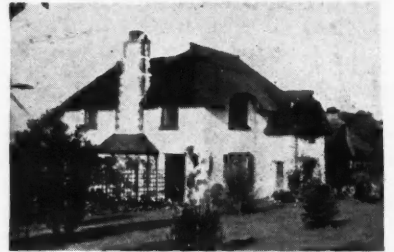
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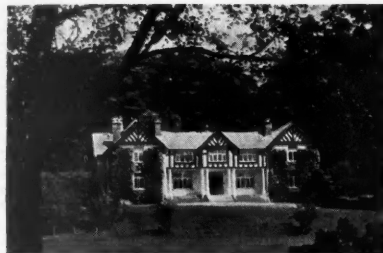
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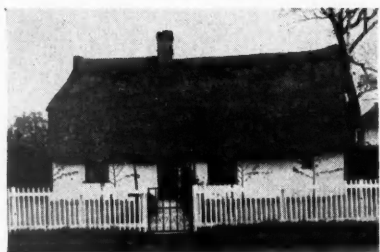
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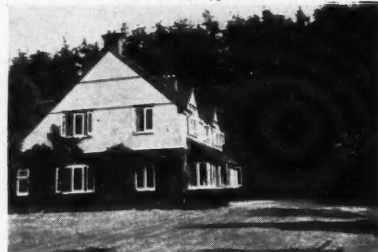
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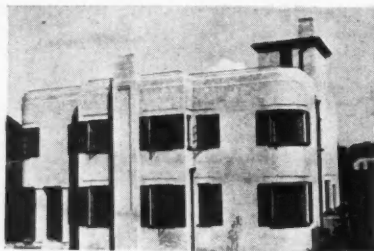
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## THE FUTURE OF COUNTRY HOUSES

IT is no overstatement to call the Gowers Report, summarised on another page, "the Country House Charter." Readers of this paper and those who share its interests and standards of values are all too fully aware of the impossibility, under present conditions, of continued ownership and maintenance of historic houses. The report of the Committee appointed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and presided over by Sir Ernest Gowers has now examined the problem with reference to the long-term national interest, and in words no less forceful than enlightened has propounded a solution. Adopting the view that the disappearance of the English country house would be a blow to the nation's artistic and spiritual wealth "comparable only to that which the country suffered by the Dissolution of the Monasteries in the 16th century"—but without its political significance—the report insists that the time has come "to be realistic." Moreover, it takes the view that these houses lose much of their interest if no longer lived in as people's homes. It is accepted, the Committee states, that it is in the public interest for outstanding houses to be preserved; it found that the owner of the house is almost always the best person to preserve it; and that taxation is the chief cause of his being unable to do so. It is therefore, it considers, illogical first to tax owners out of existence and then to seek to keep them going by subsidies. Instead, a fundamental principle of differentiation in taxation is proposed, by which owners who accept the obligation of opening their homes regularly to the public should be enabled to maintain them by a differential scale of taxation which would require them to pay no more in taxes, or be put to any greater costs, than if they were ordinary citizens living in an ordinary house. It is recommended that the capital sum and the yield thereof which is required for the cost of maintenance should be exempt from death duties, and taxation, and be treated by the State as a fund in trust. In effect, this common-sense plan, based on "art distinction," would open to all owners of "designated" houses the advantages and accompanying restrictions at present accorded to those who make over their homes to the National Trust or vacate them in order to make a "business" of showing them.

To select the houses thus to be maintained and to act for the State in the capacity that the National Trust acts for its members and the public unofficially, two new bodies are proposed: a Historic Buildings Council for England and Wales, and a similar Council for Scotland. It is suggested that these Councils, to be composed of experts and official representatives, might be financed by the income of some £900,000 a year from the Land Fund established by Mr. Dalton. It is also proposed that the whole system of recording and preserving Ancient Monuments,

at present shared by the Ministries of Works and Planning, should be revised and strengthened and be administered by the Councils, which would thus become the central repositories of technical knowledge and guidance on all matters connected with historic buildings, and also as regards their contents and amenity land. For the Committee sets great store upon preserving the unity of country houses—their works of art and no less their gardens and parks. To this end, one of the duties of the Councils would be to inventory the historic and artistic contents of houses where these are of outstanding importance. These listed contents would be inalienable so long as a house or its owner received any benefits under the proposed scheme, and be relieved of death duties.

Nevertheless, the Committee appreciates that there must be some elasticity. It recognises that the reason why many owners have not come into the National Trust scheme—which, together with the Trust's methods and work as a whole, the Report warmly commends—is that they dare not bind their successors, and alienate part of their resources, to inhabit for ever a particular house. The covenant with the State should be terminable. To cover that event, and avoid the break-up and dispersal of an historic unity by an owner deciding that he no longer wishes to be the privileged yet bounden custodian of his inheritance, the report puts forward perhaps the most original of its recommendations. This is that the exempted trust fund and contents might be regarded as attached to the house, so that it would be possible for a purchaser to buy both an historic house and the tax-free income with which to maintain it. This would certainly act as an inducement to inhabit and maintain an historic house. Deferred death duties would, however, in this case have to be paid by the vendor on the value of the house thus enhanced.

There are several other important recommendations in the report, which is not only most ably and readably presented, but attractively illustrated. But these three major recommendations are those which will, no doubt, receive the most attention in Parliament: the creation of the two Councils responsible to the Treasury alone; the principle of sustaining the personal ownership of certain houses; and the principle of differential taxation to this end. The second and third of these undoubtedly run counter to the present Government's ethics—and indeed to those of any government of recent years. Yet the fairness and logic of the report, the urgency of the situation and the fact that the Committee was appointed by Sir Stafford Cripps, make it more likely to be implemented by the present Socialist Government than by Conservatives, who would inevitably be charged with partiality. It is significant that the Committee, on which the Socialist party was represented, reported unanimously.

## MAPPING OF FOOTPATHS

WHILE in most rural districts parish councils, not long ago declared "obsolescent," are welcoming the chance of carrying out their new duties with regard to the mapping of rights of way, a Devon vicar has written to *The Times* to say that the provisions of the Act are fatuous, and that in his own parish there are sixteen miles of footpaths, "most of them seldom used in these days of bicycles and cars. A stranger would have difficulty in finding them, and they would not be of any use, for the lanes lead to the same destinations. . . ." "Our parish councillors, being countrymen," the vicar continues, "are all exceedingly busy men, who have not the time, even if they had the talent, for this arduous and useless survey. . . . If there is anywhere a disputed right of way, after all, the courts are open." The "crowning impertinence" he finds is the suggestion that paths should be officially perambulated on Rogation Sunday. It is obviously difficult to explain to one whose parish lanes "are in all conscience quiet enough for anybody" and placed so that "ramblers are so few that nobody minds where they go" what is the situation of his fellow countrymen in other parts of the land. In less sequestered areas thousands of footpaths have been ploughed up for the sake of agricultural

convenience and new owners taking possession of land for development purposes have sought to divert or extinguish rights of way. Service and other departments of State have actually done so without so much as a "by your leave." The vicar considers his parish "typical," but we can assure him it is not; and elsewhere some form of administration has had to be found which will ensure a proper balance of public interests and the preservation of public rights.

## SALMON POACHING

IT seems a serious slur upon the character and habits of the old-time poacher who cast a legitimate fly occasionally on somebody else's water or had the knowledge to find and the skill to tickle into acquiescence a convenient trout, to bracket him with the gentlemen described by Lord Strabolgi and others in last week's debate in the Lords. There is no controversy here between the Parties. It was Mr. Tom Johnston who told first how a "commando" of three such ruffians on one occasion took 1,953 worth of fish in a night. They were fined £5 each. Lord Haddington capped the story by stating that in addition to the fish taken on that occasion 400 dead salmon were found in the river next morning. The "poaching" methods by use of explosives and chemicals are diabolical, and there can be no doubt that the work is done by organised gangs well equipped with cars and with quasi-respectable connections. In England and Wales, where fines up to £50 and sentences of three months' imprisonment can be imposed, this modern technique lags behind that of Scotland, where it is applied also to the stealing of red deer. It is clearly time that punishments should be greatly increased.

## FARM LABOUR

IN the ninety years from 1851 to 1941 the number of regular farm-workers in England and Wales fell from 665,000 to 490,000 and the cultivated land was reduced by 500,000 acres. This is the calculation made by the Agricultural Economics Research Institute, who have been comparing figures taken in the war-time Economic Survey with those from an earlier census. We have heard so much about British agriculture being the most highly mechanised in the world that it comes as a surprise that the pattern of employment has changed so slowly. It is true, of course, that the farm-worker in 1851 put in a much longer working week than his great-grandson does to-day, but he has the equipment to plough six acres a day instead of one. On the arable side of farming there must have been a bigger advance in the man-power economy than on the livestock side. It still takes the same time to look after a bunch of calves. Moreover, while cowshed technique has been mechanised so that three men can look after 90 cows going through a milking parlour there are many more dairy cows in the country to-day. They call for much more attention than beef cattle. The gist of the matter is that arable farming has become more extensive, especially in the eastern half of the country, and the livestock side, especially in the west, has become more intensive with the multiplying of dairy herds. Can the Oxford economists now work out the relative labour efficiency between 1851 and the present day?

## THE TEST AND THE WICKET

THE discussion about the wicket for the Test Match at Manchester suggests some find old crusted, almost proverbial comments, such as that some people are hard to please or that you cannot have it both ways. For a long time we have heard complaints of "shirt front" wickets that give the poor sweltering bowler no chance while the batsman revels in his security from attack. Then one fine day there comes along this Manchester wicket, on which the batsmen succeeded in making two short of a thousand runs, but only one of them made a hundred. Instantly there are heaped on it the most terrific epithets, the mildest of which is "unfair." Most people will think that here for once was a cricket match well worthy of the name which gave both batsman and bowler his due opportunity.



# A COUNTRYMAN'S NOTES

By

Major C. S. JARVIS

FOR some years now mysterious lights have been seen from time to time in Ross-shire, on the stretch of road that runs from Ullapool on the coast to Garve in the south, and since there is apparently no explanation of them some of the more superstitious of the local people have begun to believe that they are of a supernatural nature and foretell that a funeral will pass that way shortly. A reader of COUNTRY LIFE, who saw the lights very clearly after midnight recently, has written to ask me if, with my experience of desert mirages, I can offer any suggestion as to the cause, since it is difficult to think of any explanation except some atmospheric freak which takes the form of a night mirage. The following is my correspondent's account of what she saw on this stretch of road, which incidentally has more night traffic on it than one would expect of a highland one-way track, owing to lorries carrying the herring catch from Ullapool to Garve railway station.

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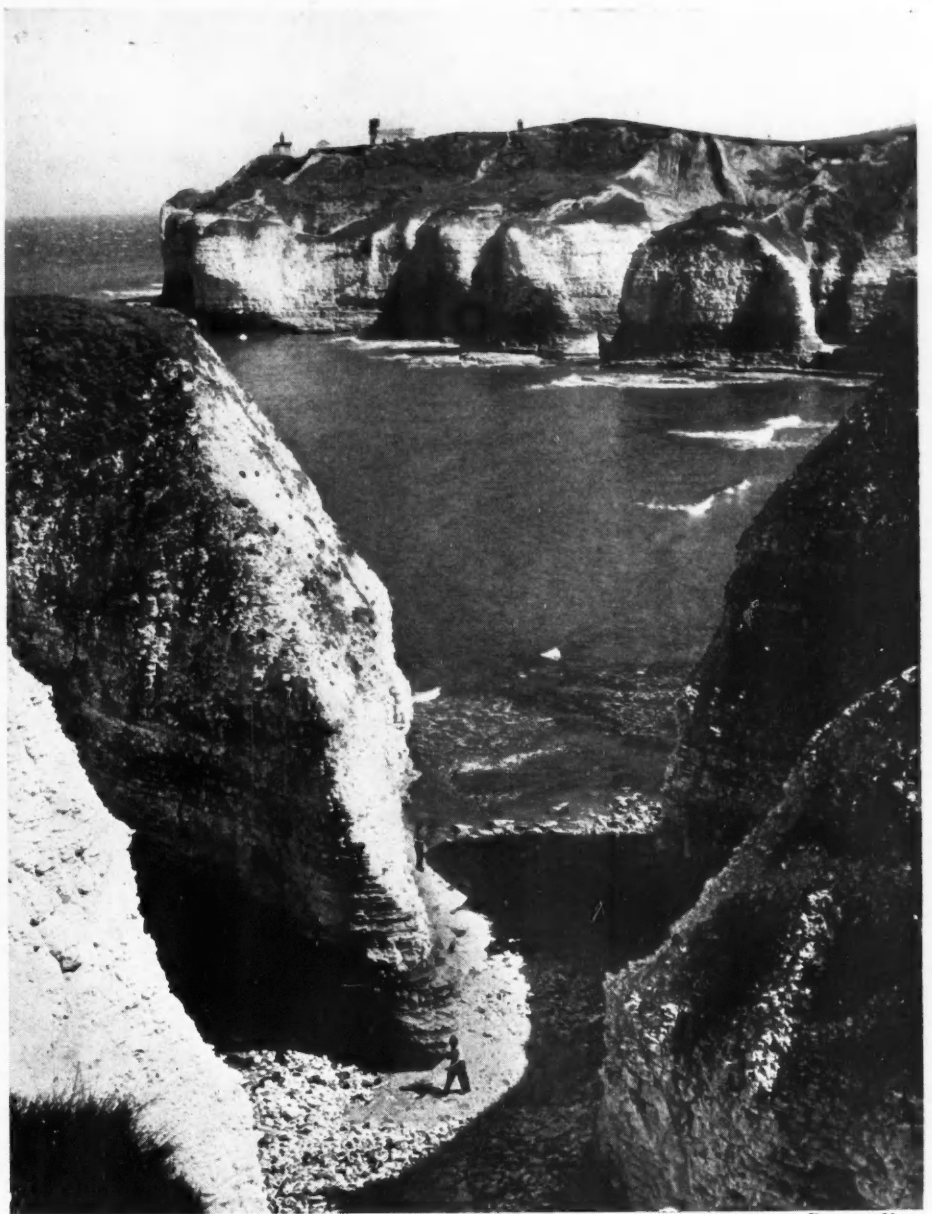
LAST week, when returning from Garve to Ullapool at 12.45 a.m., I saw at a bend of the road some 500 yards ahead a huge spot-light. I said to my passenger: 'That's one of those fish lorries with their fiendish spot-lights,' and I pulled into the first passing-place to allow it to pass. I lit a cigarette, stopped my engine and waited. No lorry appeared, and when the light went out my passenger suggested that the other fellow was waiting for me, so that I had better go on. Go on I did, but there was no lorry, no car and a clear mile of empty road in front of me. I was puzzled, and I turned on my own spot-light, wondering if it would catch and reflect its light from the metal passing-place notice, but it was set too low for this. Four miles ahead, on a dead straight road, the brilliant light again came towards me. Again I stopped, but this time I left the engine running and got out on to the road. The light then seemed to go into a passing place, and I drove as fast as I could along the road, but again there was nothing to be seen.

"There was no moon, but here in June we only have one really dark hour, between 1 a.m. and 2 a.m., and the sky was clear with a red glow in the west, indicating a fine day on the morrow. We went on 10 miles, and then, on a long downhill stretch, the bright light appeared again, and seemed to be coming up the hill towards me. I drove straight for it, but suddenly the light snapped out, and when I went to examine the spot I could find no wheel tracks in the dust of the road.

"The postmaster tells me that he has pulled in so often to let this phantom lorry pass that he wonders why with all my years of driving I have never seen it before. He can offer no explanation of the phenomenon, but my old maid says: 'You'll see—remains will be coming along the road in a coffin to-morrow.' I can think of no other explanation which has any bearing on the manifestations unless one can have a night mirage."

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I HAVE seen many mirages in the Libyan and Arabian deserts, but they were one and all of the day variety caused by waves of hot air rising from the ground in certain spots and magnifying and distorting small objects, such as pebbles and twigs of scrub, and projecting them above the line of the horizon, so that one imagined one was looking at a town complete with minarets and date palms set on the banks of a shimmering blue lake. I have read of mirages seen by desert travellers, which were reflections in the sky of a real town situated some fifty miles away, but, though I have often imagined



Bertram Unne

## THE CHALK CLIFFS OF FLAMBOROUGH HEAD, YORKSHIRE

that I was looking at far-distant Alexandria or Suez put on the screen for my special benefit, I discovered when I enquired further into the matter that the buildings I thought I recognised as mosques, or the stately homes of cotton brokers, were only small bits of rock greatly magnified and distorted. A marked peculiarity of the mirage is that it can be seen only from a certain angle, and that if one moves a matter of a yard or less it vanishes in a flash. I made frequent attempts to photograph a particularly impressive mirage which was always on tap on the high ground above Akaba, but invariably failed: the negatives always refused to record any part of the marvellous picture I thought I was looking at.

I have never seen anything in the nature of a mirage after the sun had set, but, as those who fish for sea trout know, there are sometimes weird light effects in the Highlands during the short summer nights, and perhaps some reader can say whether certain air or mist conditions could be responsible for the mysterious headlamps seen on the Ullapool road. From the description given by my correspondent it sounds as if the lights she saw were either the magnified reflections of her own, or possibly some atmospheric freak projecting the light from the lamps of a lorry some five to ten miles ahead of the vehicle. If this is not the explanation, I shall feel inclined to believe in the faery dogs said to have been seen in other parts of the Highlands, which were the subject of a recent article in COUNTRY LIFE.

A SOMEWHAT disturbing admission as to the ingredients used in the British jam-manufacturing industry was made recently when it was stated that the Ministry of Food were authorising a five per cent. increase in the amount of fruit in our ready-made jams, thus bringing the fruit content up from thirty per cent. to thirty-five per cent. In the circumstances one feels one is justified in asking what commodity it is that goes to provide the remaining sixty-five per cent. of the contents of the jar or tin we buy. Is one correct in assuming, as one has long suspected, that in many cases it is swede, mangold-wurzel or sugar-beet?

As is known by those who are permitted to enter the kitchen when the important task of jam-making is in progress, home-made jam consists of two commodities only, namely the fruit and pure sugar, and that the general rule observed on the home front is one pound of sugar to one pound of fruit. During the process of cooking a proportion of the bulk of the fruit disappears, as well as of the sugar, with the result that ten pounds of fruit with an equal weight of sugar yield approximately fifteen pounds of jam. As presumably this occurs also in jam factories, one imagines that the product supplied by our shops contains little more than a flavouring of fruit. One reason why imported Australian jams are preferred now that they are available may be that fruit is cheap and plentiful in the Antipodes, and that neither the swede nor the mangold-wurzel can be grown there very successfully.

# THE COUNTRY HOUSE CHARTER

*A Summary of the Report of the Committee appointed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on Houses of Outstanding Historic or Architectural Interest*

**N**O feature of our country contributes more to its beauty and character than the historic houses of which it has such a profusion. . . . They constitute a national asset whose loss would be irreplaceable." "The English country house is the greatest contribution made by England to the visual arts." "Now, owing to economic and social changes, we are faced with a disaster comparable only to that which the country suffered by the Dissolution of the Monasteries in the 16th century." "That the owner of a country house is almost always the best person to preserve it was the unanimous opinion of our witnesses, and is our own firm conviction."

## SYMPATHETIC UNDERSTANDING

These extracts, three from witnesses' evidence and the last from the report itself, are quoted to show the sympathetic understanding brought to the problem of country houses by the Committee appointed in 1948 by Sir Stafford Cripps and presided over by Sir Ernest Gowers, the report of which is now published (Stationery Office, 1s.). The Committee was appointed

To consider and report what general arrangements might be made by the Government for the preservation, maintenance and use of houses of outstanding historic or architectural interest which might otherwise not be preserved, including, when desirable, the preservation of a house and its contents as a unity.

Wide and enlightened as these terms of reference were, the Committee has interpreted them yet more broadly, to include not only smaller houses in the country and notable houses or groups of houses in towns, but also the settings of country houses—their gardens, landscapes, and "follies"—which are no less essential elements in their "unity," and are termed

in the report "amenity land." Similarly the Committee represents with a broad touch the cultural background to these houses, quoting Mr. Christopher Hussey as stating "they remain a living element in the social fabric of the nation, uniting visibly the present with national history." The report enumerates among the contributions of the country house to our civilisation their record of the nation's aesthetic and intellectual evolution, the incentive they give to the re-creation of beauty, their inspiration often as the homes of those who have helped shape Britain, and not least their economic value both in attracting tourists and offering asylum in some cases for valuable social activities. The great numbers of their visitors recently are taken as evidence, moreover, that their appeal is not to the few. "In short," concludes the preamble, "our concern is to see how we can best save something of a great national heritage, an embodiment of our history and traditions, and a monument to the creative genius of our ancestors and the graceful serenity of their civilisation."

In the past, it is pointed out, houses and their grounds were maintained by their owners mainly from the rents of their estates. Now, although many places require not less than £5,000 a year barely to maintain, no individual is left with more than £5,000 income in all. One case is quoted of an owner who, with a rent roll of £140,000 reduced to £3,000, can maintain his family and two historic houses only by drawing on capital at the rate of £8,000 a year; and others in which owners and their families do much of the domestic work and other tasks. The service problem is clearly recognised, but no immediate solution for it is adduced. "The struggle made by many owners against the fate that threatens their properties and the personal pride of many in discharging faithfully a duty

performed by their family for generations," is put on record.

## IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST

The report then examines the expedients, short of disruption and dismemberment, open to owners, and the existing machinery for preserving something from the wreck. Of the former, high commendation is paid to the work of the National Trust. What has been done by owners opening houses to the public or adapting them to other uses is also praised. But it is the limitations of these expedients that the Committee emphasises, with a view to the States "finding a way by which one may eat one's cake and have it," as Lord De L'Isle and Dudley is quoted as having ironically expressed it. Although "the clock cannot be set back," the Committee endorses the Pilgrim Trust's round assertion that, "if the national interest demands that this national asset should not be wholly lost, the nation must come to the rescue."

There follows a close examination of the complicated existing machinery for recording, listing, and preservation, under the various Acts and Ministries, chiefly of a negative nature as regards preservation, and presenting discrepancies, some of which are described as "irrational." It is found "absurd," for instance, that the preservation of historic buildings should depend on two largely independent codes (those of the Ministry of Works and Ministry of Planning) and sometimes "on which Department finds itself there first." Taken as a whole, the powers of negative preservation are said to be "imposing on paper but in practice have proved ineffective," while those of positive preservation are useless for saving inhabited houses of outstanding interest, and apart from the National Trust, there is no regular machinery for preserving their contents. Nor is



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there any effective safeguard against the destructive activities of Government departments—particularly the War Office and Ministry of Fuel. In short, "the relevant provisions of the law have never been thought out as a whole, have been put up sporadically, are haphazard and unreliable."

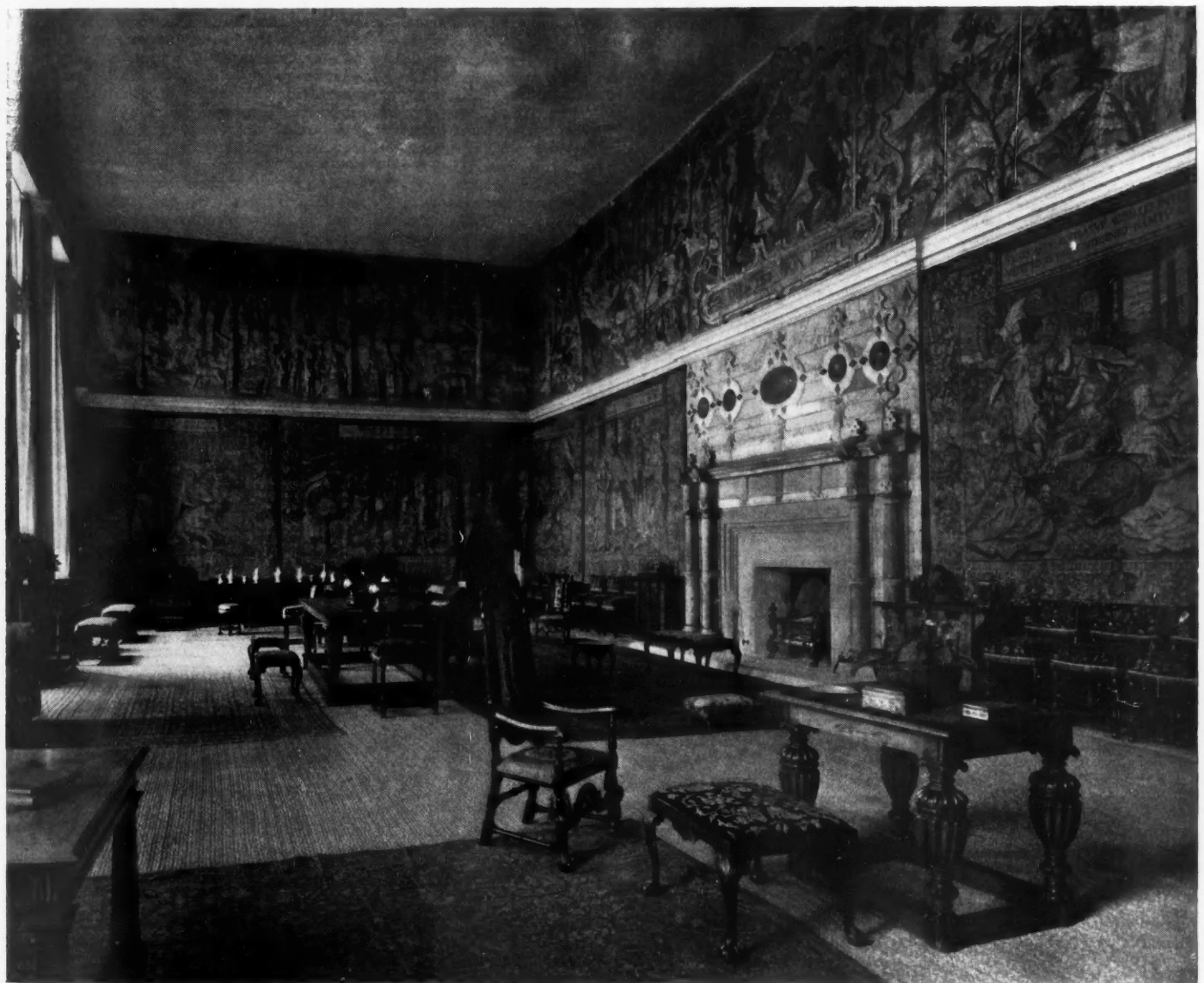
#### HISTORIC BUILDINGS COUNCILS

The Committee recommends the setting up of new permanent statutory bodies (one for England and Wales, and one for Scotland) with

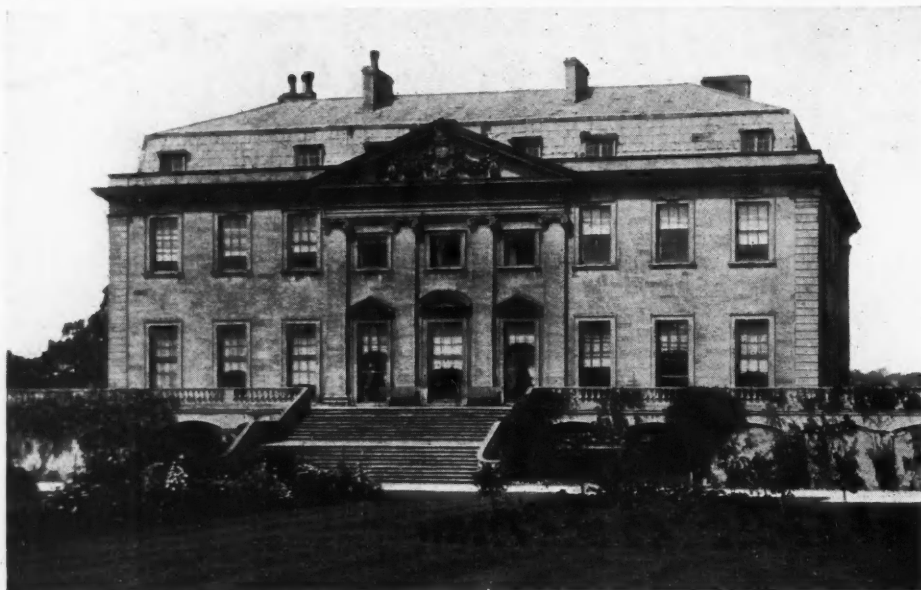
the primary purpose of dealing with the problem of houses of outstanding historic or architectural interest, but also equipped to integrate existing powers and duties of the Government connected with houses, buildings, and monuments. The subject is regarded as "too important and urgent" to be given to the Planning Ministries, and, in view of the delicacy and expertise likely to be often involved in the decisions reached, possibly embarrassing to and therefore unsuitable for Ministerial supervision in detail. Equally the transforming of the National Trust

into an official body to handle these duties is rejected as likely to prejudice the Trust's work. Instead, the principle is recommended that is already illustrated by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, and the Arts Council, of a body of experts elastically attached to the Treasury alone.

These bodies, it is proposed, should be called the Historic Buildings Councils, to be composed of persons with special knowledge in the fields concerned, in law, finance, and estate management, and of representatives of the



**HARDWICK HALL, DERBYSHIRE. THE HIGH COURT CHAMBER.** Illustrated as an outstanding case where house and contents merit preservation as a unity



BLATHERWYCKE HALL, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE. Demolished in 1948 after occupation by the military

National Trust and relevant Ministries. Each Council should

Take over from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning the duty of compiling the statutory lists of buildings of architectural and historic interest—though that Ministry, and local authorities, would remain the statutory agents of "negative preservation."

Take over from the Ministry of Works its duties and powers of listing and positively preserving historic houses, and possibly of ancient monuments. In the latter event the Ancient Monuments Branch of the Ministry of Works would also be absorbed.

That the Royal Commission on Historic Monuments should be attached to the Council, and the National Buildings Record be absorbed into it as a specialist section. They would thus become the central repository of technical knowledge and guidance on all matters connected with historic buildings.

Of much the most immediate interest and importance is the remaining recommendation, that the Council should

Exercise general supervision over all houses of special architectural or historic interest (including their amenity land) and their contents of value, and list the contents of houses which it is deemed should be preserved "as a unity."

To this end its immediate activity should be the compiling of a short list of outstanding houses which it would "designate" as eligible, in case of need, for full measure of positive preservation. These would be open to the public, and would include the first, and probably draw upon the second, of three categories of the full lists:

Grade I. Buildings of such importance that their destruction should in no case be allowed.

Grade II. Buildings whose importance is a matter of national interest and whose destruction or alteration should not be undertaken without compelling reason.

Grade III. Buildings which a planning authority ought to recognise as an asset worth trying to keep.

It is recognised that "the comparative claims of the many houses for which some case can be put forward for . . . the delicate and difficult task" of assisting or not, "can only be properly weighed by the Council when it has the whole picture before it." There may be 2,000 of them. Other factors being equal, it is suggested that the selection of houses on which public money may be spent must have some regard to their accessibility.

#### FINANCE AND TAXATION

The report regards it as outside its scope to propose how the Historic Buildings Councils will be financed. "All that is certain is that each

could use to good advantage more than it is ever likely to be given." It is pointed out, however, that the National Land Fund stands at over £51 million, and that interest is accruing at the rate of some £900,000 a year. "We understand," it is added, "that the future of the Fund will be considered in the light of our recommendations. That encourages us to hope that here might perhaps be found financial resources that would enable a long step forward to be taken in the preservation of the historic houses of Britain."

The main effect of "designation" would be to entitle the owner of a privately owned house to tax concessions on its maintenance. In reaching this recommendation, the Committee have evidently been influenced by the French system of *monuments classés* and *monuments inscrits*, a useful summary of which is attached to the report as an appendix. In putting forward its proposals it reiterates that the best form of preservation, for the nation and public, is the

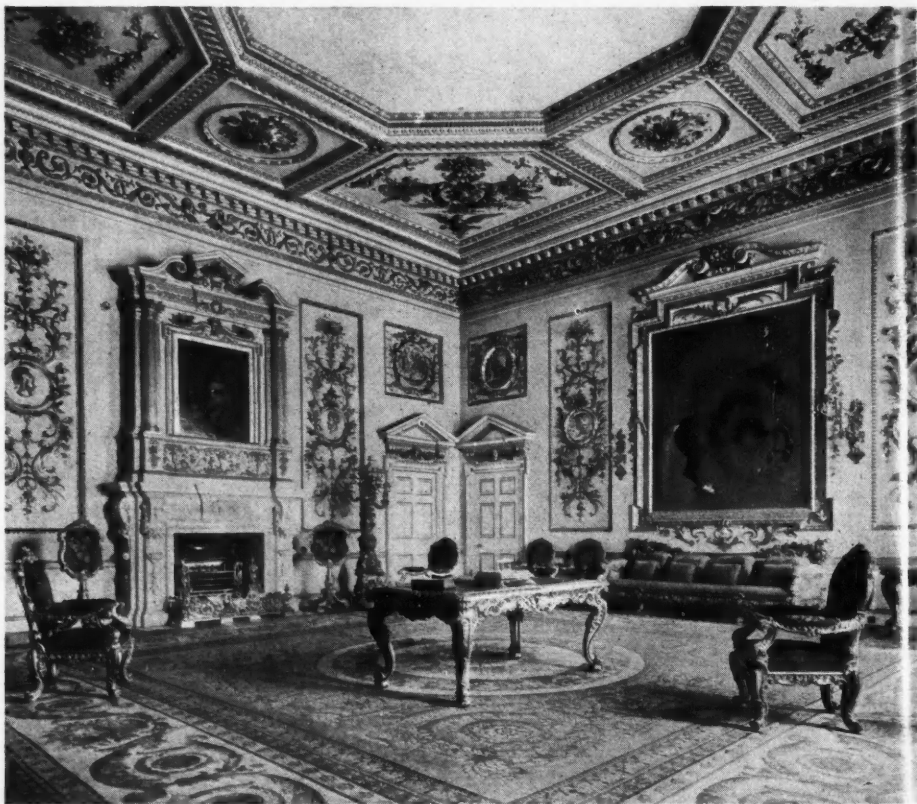
preservation of a house as a family home, since to institutionalise houses as museums, hospitals, schools, or worst of all Government offices, and even to turn them into show places, "robs them of their soul." In a closely reasoned passage (paras. 126-129) the report justifies the proposed differentiation between taxpayers, and "of introducing an element of 'privilege' in the original sense of that word":

We think the time has come to be realistic. When taxation was moderate no great harm could be done by rigid uniformity. . . . It is in the public interest for outstanding houses to be preserved. . . . The owner of the house is almost always the best person to preserve it. . . . Taxation is the chief cause of his being unable to do so. . . . It is illogical to tax owners out of existence and then to subsidise them to keep them going.

The principle of differentiation has been adopted in the case of a Prime Minister's income. Much the same relief as that envisaged is obtained if the owner makes over his home and part of his capital to the National Trust, or if he vacates his home and manages it "as a business." But if he lives in it he is relieved only of certain death duties.

#### TAX EXEMPTION

Thus, the "straightforward" remedy is to exempt from income and surtax so much of the income of the owner of a "designated" house, open to the public, as is reasonably necessary to maintain it, without his having to make recourse to commercialisation or transfer. It is also necessary to abolish the existing limitations on maintenance claims, which should include everything that, in fact, is reasonably spent on maintaining the house, contents, and amenity land—heating, lighting, wages, cleaning, repairs to contents and upkeep of amenity land. "The preservation of these houses is a matter of public concern. Those who undertake it are doing what is not less a public service because it may happen to coincide with their private interests." They should be required to pay only such tax as if living in an ordinary house. For those who show their houses only occasionally, it is suggested that some means of modified relief should be found. No death duties should be charged on a designated house, on its amenity land, or on such of its contents as is "listed," so long as



THE WHISTLEJACKET ROOM AT WENTWORTH WOODHOUSE, YORKSHIRE. A fine interior spoiled on conversion to a training college



they remain unsold. The "listed" historic contents of a house would be exempt, as now are "heirlooms," from death duties, so long as they were not sold. If they, or any part of the property, were sold, the vendor would have to pay duty on them at the same rate as on the rest of the estate at the last death.

An important proposal is that freedom from duty should continue to run with the house whoever owned it. At present the only way in which the capital yielding the funds for maintenance can be exempted from death duties is by making over both to the National Trust. The Committee realises that many owners cannot afford to take so irrevocable a step, which assumes that the family will always want to live in the house, on behalf of their descendants. "There may come a time when the family representative would prefer to abandon the struggle, sell the house, and use the maintenance fund for other purposes."

Two alternatives to this condition are con-

#### ASSISTANCE FOR REPAIRS

The Historic Buildings Council should have power to make grants and loans towards the cost of repairs beyond an owner's means. But the Committee recognises the invidiousness of the State aiding some citizens in this way, although such grants and loans are made in France. The suggested solution is that, when a maintenance grant is necessary to preserve a house as a home, the Council should invite the National Trust to take it over and in that case any help necessary would be given through the Trust.

In order to preserve the "unity" afforded by outstanding historic contents, it is recommended that, in the case of the relatively few houses involved, the Council should make it a condition of granting any financial assistance that no listed chattels will be sold without the Council's approval, coupled with a covenant to repay any grant already made if the condition is broken.

organising architectural supervision and training schemes for workmen.

In conclusion the report surveys the use, or partial use, of historic houses no longer occupied. Lord Methuen's happy solution at Corsham is warmly commended, whereby the Bath School of Art occupies the bulk of the house, while the State Rooms, open to the public, are also available to the students, and Lord Methuen lives in a wing. Sir Leigh Ashton is quoted as favouring the South Kensington Museum's acquiring a series of houses with their contents that are outstanding collections of limited periods—such as Ham House or, we might add, Ockwells Manor. Darwin House and Hughenden are adduced as felicitously used for housing exhibits connected with one person or object, further exemplified by the Royal Observatory at Greenwich, and certain county record offices.

It is considered that conversion to schools, whether public (such as Stowe) or State resi-



THE PICTURE GALLERY AT CORSHAM COURT, WILTSHIRE. Open to the public and maintained through joint occupation by the owner and an art school

sidered, on the principle that the property producing the income ought to be earmarked and in the hands of trustees. One is that the trust may be terminable, whereupon arrears of death duties would be payable. The other, strikingly original, is that the trust fund should be regarded as attached to the house irrevocably, so that a purchaser would get the benefit of it, which would be reflected in the purchase price. For example, a person possessing and desiring to safeguard a capital sum could, in effect, buy the house and the tax-free income with which to maintain it, while deferred death duties would be paid by the vendor on the value of the house thus enhanced.

The farce of charging entertainment tax on the proceeds of visits to houses of cultural and educational value should be ended.

Purchase of houses must also be within the means of the Council—in the case of houses for which no purchaser can be found, and as the outcome of a Preservation Order under the Town and Country Planning Act (e.g. Rufford Abbey). The Council will therefore need to be empowered to manage property, but it should, the Committee thinks, find an appropriate purpose to put it to as soon as possible.

A condition of designation should be that access is allowed for examination of any archives, but, for obvious reasons, it is recommended that these should be sent to an appropriate library or local record office.

The report also recognises the practical problem of upkeep raised by the shortage of skilled craftsmen, but leaves it to the Historic Buildings Council to work out the details of

dential, is both improbable and, owing to the number of ancillary buildings required, undesirable. But in certain cases use is approved for handicapped children—in whom "the sense of touch or of sensitiveness to atmosphere" is often highly developed. It is questioned whether use by Youth Hostels can be described as "preservation" at all, while conversion to hotels presents great difficulties. The Committee puts in a strong plea for use of suitable houses as homes for elderly people, with the experiment made of letting the tenants share in the duties of taking care of the State Rooms and showing them to the public. Only small headquarters offices are suitable occupants for historic country houses, while of Government Departments "it is certainly true that they ruin any house they may occupy."

# BADGERS AT PLAY

Written and Illustrated by ERNEST NEAL

**M**ANY mammals indulge in some form of play, especially when young, but there are comparatively few that are playful for most of their lives. Badgers, in common with most of the carnivora, are particularly playful animals, and it is fascinating to watch them on a summer evening at dusk before they set out on the more serious business of searching for food. Badger play is of two kinds. In May and June the cubs play in their most delightful manner, and the parents also join in with great zest. In July, however, the cubs and adults often play separately, and the play of the latter probably has a sexual significance, as it is sometimes a prelude to pairing.

To witness cub play it is well to choose the sett with care, as in a large community there may be a great number of entrances. In a sett I investigated recently there were over one hundred badger holes, covering an area of a few acres. By mid-May it is usually possible to recognise sett entrances used by cubs, as the earth outside is trampled flat by their activities. Previous to this, in March and April, the signs of fresh bedding having been brought to the hole is a good indication that cubs are below. This is because the young cubs before being brought above ground foul the existing bedding, which is consequently ejected and replaced. Holes temporarily occupied, or merely visited, do not show any sign of fresh bedding at this time of year.

When one has found the sett to watch, a warm evening should be chosen, and it is advisable to take up a position shortly before sunset. In very secluded setts it is better to get there even before this, as the badgers may emerge abnormally early. Ten yards from the entrance is a suitable distance, and the wind must be blowing from the sett towards one. A position in a tree minimises the likelihood of discovery (but accentuates the discomforts of watching), but sitting on the ground with one's back to a tree or bush is quite good. In May the badgers will emerge when one can still see detail fairly well at ten yards; in June the visibility is better.

When the cubs are small the boar usually



BADGER CUBS PLAYING WHILE THE BOAR LOOKS ON

comes out first, and after cautiously scenting the wind in all directions will settle down to a good scratch. He may not wait for the others before going off; on the other hand the sow may emerge almost at once with the cubs on her heels. Two or three cubs is the normal number, although it is not unusual for two families to live together and then they all play amicably.

Several variations of cub play may be recognised. When very small, the cubs keep near the mother and play with her. I have seen her lie down over the sett entrance while her two cubs scrambled about all over her. When bigger, they become more venturesome and then the play becomes really boisterous. King-of-the-castle is a usual type. One cub will take up

a position on the top of the heap of earth outside the sett or some other vantage-point, and the others will try to dislodge him and take up a similar position. When they are bigger the game may take place on a favourite tree, but the idea of dislodgement is still there.

A variation of this occurs when some object is disputed. I once saw this happen with five cubs when one had an empty treacle tin. The others repeatedly challenged for possession and the noise was tremendous, as the tin banged about on the stones and the cubs yelped in excitement. Everything else is apparently forgotten during these periods of play, but there are frequent intervals when all are still and quiet and each listens for any danger. The sow especially is very alert, and on one occasion when I made a noise she hurriedly bundled her two cubs in front of her down the hole, giving a warning throaty growl as she did so.

Another game the cubs play is for one to emerge and then turn round and prevent the next from coming out. The first has advantage of position and will playfully bite the other on the ear each time it pops its head out. Eventually there is a rush and a great chase as the second succeeds in coming out. When there are several entrances to the same sett, a type of hide-and-seek is played. One cub will disappear at speed down one hole after being chased, and appear quietly at another; if the other cub's back is turned, he will creep up silently and then nip it on the back. Then it is the second cub's turn to be chased.

In their scuffles the cubs often roll each other over, and sometimes even leap-frog over each other's back. There is quite a lot of yelping at times when the teeth are used more viciously in the excitement of the play.

Play by the adults is characteristic of the second half of July and early August. Sometimes they seem to go completely mad, and rush about in frenzied excitement. A musky odour is often emitted from their scent glands at this time, and I have known the air rank with it after badgers have been at play for a while. On one occasion a pair of full-grown badgers, after an



AN INTERLUDE IN A LENGTHY GAME



exciting chase, came hurtling in a twirling furry mass to my feet. They disengaged, and at once scented me, tearing off with startled grunts into the night.

Badgers have favourite trees on which they play—often one which has fallen in a storm, and from which new limbs have grown upwards from the old stock. Here the mud marks and claw scratches give plain evidence of the badgers' activities.

One wonders what the significance of play is in the life of the badger. In kittens many playful actions are similar in pattern to those used later in hunting: for example, stalking a ball of wool and pouncing on it. This type of play co-ordinates senses with muscular movement and is a form of education. The same is true of badger cubs, but not to the same extent. It has been said that play is a natural way of expending excess energy. This end is no doubt achieved, but as a cause of play it is not convincing, as the games are often of too complex a pattern. In badgers, moreover, play is by no means confined to the cubs.

Badgers are very sociable animals. Families often pay each other visits and play together. It is quite usual even at the breeding season to find two families living together, and in August, in some parts, all the badgers in a limited area live together in the same sett. On one occasion I saw eleven badgers emerge one after another from the same hole in August. Social behaviour is also associated with play in other animals.



PLAYING KING-OF-THE-CASTLE ON A TREE-STUMP

One finds it in the herd animals, for example, such as sheep and deer, and there may well be a connection between the two phenomena. Certain types of badger play are associated with mating and can thus be explained, but this is not true of most play.

When watching badger cubs playing with the parents, it is impossible not to think anthropomorphically and say that they are obviously enjoying it thoroughly, and I am not at all sure that this is not nearer the truth than most explanations.

## THE VILLAGE WHEELWRIGHT

By RICHARD LEIGHTON

THE village wheelwright was once an important man, and he made a good living. But nowadays his trade is dead. Machinery has come to stay on the farms. Horse-drawn carts are few, and no new wheelwrights are setting up in business.

Old Billy Warner, our village wheelwright, sits on a box in his shed all day, wearing a broken pair of spectacles, reading a newspaper a week old. Occasionally, very occasionally, a farmer brings him a cart to mend, and then, for a moment, he looks excited. He examines it with the loving care of a craftsman, for, most likely, he made that cart twenty or thirty years ago, and it now needs a new shaft.

"How long will you take, Billy?" asks the farmer.

Billy shakes his head noncommittally.

"Shall we say a week?" suggests the farmer.

"Well . . . you can say what you like," says Billy, "but I reckon I can't do it in a week."

The farmer winks at me and whispers, "If he says a week I know he means a couple of months."

And that, perhaps, is the wheelwright's weakness in a modern world. Time means nothing to him. As a craftsman, his first and last consideration is the quality of his work. He cares not a hoot if the whole world conspires to hurry him; he has never done anything slipshod and is not likely to start now at the age of seventy. Any repair carried out by him will stand the test of time. There are carts made by him still functioning after thirty years of rough usage. And their wheels will be turning long after Billy's have stopped and he is safely buried in the churchyard a few yards from his shed.

His first step is always to "make friends" with a job. When the farmer had left, he adjusted his spectacles and went over every inch of that cart. He touched it with a forefinger here, there and everywhere. He stroked it with a tender, feeling hand, as if it were something that lived. To him it was no mere contraption of dead wood. He had given it birth, launched it into the world, and was proud of it.

He became so absorbed in his examination of it that he forgot I was there. As he knelt down and placed expert hands on the places

likely to show weaknesses, he spoke to his "child" in whispers. Tapping a bolt and trying it with his hands, he said, "There now . . . there now . . . you've got to have another little bolt in there. Oh yes . . . I think I've got a shaft that'll do for you . . . there now . . . there now . . ."

That was his first day's work—the building up in his mind of a clear picture of what he had to do. No plans on paper, but just a few mystic marks on the cart in thick pencil, which he alone could decipher.

A few days later I walked into his yard to see how he was getting on. He had removed the broken shaft and was measuring and marking the new one. Oblivious of the world around him he continued to talk. "A inch off you there," said he as he drew a thick line with his pencil. "And another little bolt there . . . oh yes . . . and another little screw there. . ."

He looked up at me, startled.

"Will you make a wheelbarrow for me some day?" I asked.

The shock of this request staggered him. He took off his spectacles, wrinkled his nose, and

sucked in air through his teeth with a loud "whew," as if a severe pain had seized him.

"There's no hurry," I added. "Do it in your own time."

"I'd start to-day," he replied, "but I've got this cart and it's going to take a long time. 'Taint' as if I had machinery."

"Machinery can't do it so well as you can," I said.

"Ah, but it can do it quicker, that's the trouble. See that ladder there?"

He pointed to a new ladder with twenty-one rungs. It was a masterpiece which a twenty-one stone man could use for a lifetime. "Know how long that took me?"

"No."

"Three months, and I shall only get a few pounds for it, 'cos they can buy them in shops machine made, and cheap enough."

"But they're not so good as yours," I protested.

"That's how everything is to-day. People don't want them to last for ever. They want 'em quick, and that's where machinery can beat me."

Work on the cart went forward slowly, almost imperceptibly. The farmer was right. It took Billy about two months. I was passing his yard one day when he called out, "Are yer going past his farm?"

"Yes."

"Then will yer give him a message?"

He took up a flat piece of wood a foot square, laid it on his knees, and wrote laboriously, "Cart ready. W. Warner." He then turned it over and wrote the same message on the other side.

"Praps you'll kindly put this message on his gate as you go by. That'll save you going through that muddy old field to the house."

"Why do you put the message on both sides?" I asked.

"Well, 'cos it might fall off the gate and lie on the ground wrong side up; then he wouldn't see the writing."

It was the heaviest letter I had ever handled, and as I stuck it on the gate I felt I was living in another age, long before paper was invented; and it occurred to me that if ever the wheelwright decided to write his biography, it would have to be sent to the publishers on several wagons, drawn by several horses.

### PORTRAIT OF AN ANCESTOR

*A VELVET curtain hangs behind your head.  
Four candles on the sombre table burn;  
Their light is gently shed.*

*Often, when summer came, in life, you chose  
To stand upon the balcony, enjoying  
The warm full-blooded vigour of the lime,  
The stealthy sweetness of the rambler rose;*

*Sometimes you heard the ranting thunderstorms—  
Then the gnarled lightning flashed across the sky—  
The wind disturbing sycamore and beech,  
The rumpled woodland swaying into speech.*

*But we have cut down many of those trees  
And planted corn where cattle used to graze.  
Strangers come now, on warm, bright days  
To stroll through house and grounds,  
For we belonging to a different time,  
Have sought new friends and ways.*

*And yet your portrait in the silent room,  
The broken balcony, the trees that cast  
Their stolid shadows on the lawn, bring near  
The strange, unruly past.*

JUNE BENIANS.

# A MASTER OF ILLUSTRATION

By  
H. A. HAMMELMANN

WHILE the sumptuous French illustrated works of the 18th century have long been treasured by collectors, the more modest English books "embellished with copper-plate engravings" hardly attract attention. The London engravers, it is true, strove in vain to equal the elegance and grace of the Paris school, but their work was by no means merely derivative. Perhaps the best English book decorations of the period were done in a different medium, in wood-engraving by Bewick, and in etching by Rowlandson. Nothing, however, could have been better fitted for depicting the leisurely and dignified life and manners of Georgian society than line engraving, with its somewhat formal quality and high degree of precision, in which the bulk of book-illustration was done here by capable artists like Bickham, Hayman, Wale, Anthony Walker, and the two Isaac Taylors.

To Isaac Taylor the first, who worked in London as a "library engraver" between 1755 and 1780, must go the credit for having brought copper-plate engraving in this country to a point of perfection where it could almost vie with the best work done in France. When Thomas Bewick, who in his autobiography describes Taylor as his "warm friend and patron," during a visit to London in 1776, first saw his frontispiece to John Cunningham's *Poems, Chiefly Pastoral* (Newcastle and London, 1766) he considered it "the best thing that ever was done." Nor was the praise altogether excessive for at a time when landscape hardly ever appeared except in connection with big mansions or horses, the plate struck an entirely

new note. Moreover, it possesses all the directness and simplicity of perception which give to the work of English illustrators at their best a freshness and charm which raise it above the pretty attitudinising endlessly repeated by their more sophisticated French colleagues.

Isaac Taylor, born in 1730 at Worcester, was the son of a brassfounder. He first learned to handle the graver, as did many other artists of the 18th century, Hogarth included, by decorating silver plate with coats-of-arms. The technique of line engraving, unlike etching, which has been practised by amateurs, requires a long apprenticeship. Taylor's experience was extensive and diverse. In his father's business he had occasion to draw ornaments and to design and engrave shop and trade cards. At the age of twenty-two he walked to London with only a few shillings in his pocket. He found employment with a silversmith and afterwards for several years with a map engraver, Thomas Jefferys, geographer to George III, in St. Martin's Lane. It was only after he had tried his hand as a surveyor at Shenfield, in Essex, and had engraved a considerable number of technical plates, among them a dozen or two for the enlarged third edition of Chippendale's *Gentleman's and Cabinet Maker's Director* (1762), that he turned to book illustration proper.

Among his earliest major work for the booksellers were engravings for *Don Quixote* and Addison's works

after designs by Francis Hayman, the pupil of the great French illustrator, Gravelot, whose fifteen years' residence in London had been of lasting influence on many English artists. Subsequently, Taylor more often than not engraved from his own drawings, which were conceived very much in Hayman's manner. In his own designs he possessed none of the realism of Hogarth nor Rowlandson's boisterous sense of fun, but he was a



ISAAC TAYLOR THE FIRST, A LEADING 18th-CENTURY BOOK ILLUSTRATOR. A self-portrait in oils

careful observer and sound draughtsman who, with his unquestioning acceptance of his own age, was admirably fitted to show the pleasant side of fashionable life.

It is, however, as an engraver no less than as a designer of book illustrations that Taylor deserves to be remembered. He had little use for etching, which he probably considered a less serious and elegant method, but as a line engraver his technique was outstanding. While England was pre-eminent throughout the 18th century for topographical engravings, for smaller domestic subjects and illustration, print- and book-sellers until the middle of the century frequently preferred to call on the greater technical skill of French or French-trained engravers. In this respect Taylor was one of the first to challenge and rival the best French work of the period.

His illustrations, even the very small vignettes which can be found, for instance, on the title pages of early editions of Goldsmith, are finished with great care; his prints are invariably free from the dark and smudgy shadows which disfigure much of the output of his predecessors. Engraving on copper-plates, practised until the introduction early in the 19th century of the far more durable steel facing, suffers from the disadvantage that only a limited number of good impressions can be taken. So clear and luminous was the general tone of Taylor's engravings, however, that his plates were reputed to wear far better than those of his colleagues and to retain, without re-graving, their depth of distance and play of light and shade.

The engraver's profession, though considered inferior to that of the painter, offered good financial reward in this country after the passing of Hogarth's Copyright Act in 1735. When English engravings had begun to compete successfully with French plates on the Continent, single

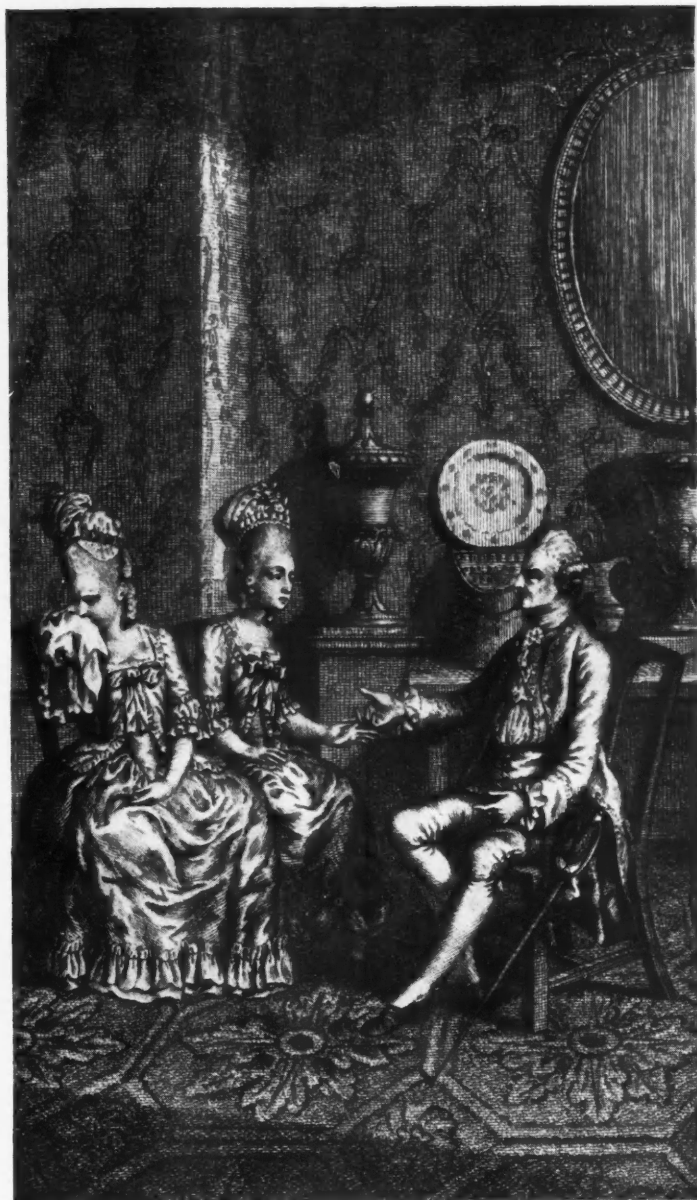


FRONTISPIECE BY TAYLOR TO *POEMS, CHIEFLY PASTORAL*, BY JOHN CUNNINGHAM. 1766.

(Right) DESIGN FOR THE *NEW ENGLISH THEATRE*. From a book of sketches thought to be by Isaac Taylor. 1776-7







THE FRONTISPIECES OF VOL. I AND (right) VOL. II OF *THE HISTORY OF SIR CHARLES GRANDISON*, BY SAMUEL RICHARDSON. 1781

engravings might earn very large sums for the engraver, even if few can have reached the £15,000 which Woollett is said to have received, over a period of fifteen years, for his *Death of Wolfe*. Isaac Taylor's arrival in London coincided with the first vogue for the illustrated book; it appears that within a few years he became comparatively prosperous, the owner of an "establishment" in Holborn employing several assistants and apprentices. Eventually his younger brother, James Taylor, who had been employed as a china painter in the Worcester porcelain factory, came to London to join him as an engraver.

Taylor's contemporary reputation was very high. His name is found in the original list of members of the Incorporated Society of Artists, and he was eventually elected its secretary. For fifteen years he exhibited regularly at the Society's shows.

As a commercial illustrator Taylor was made to embellish everything, from dictionaries and Bibles to novels, Shakespeare and Roman History. The illustrations reproduced in this article (with the exception of the self-portrait) are in my collection. The collections in the British Museum Print Room and in the Victoria and Albert Museum lack some of his best plates and his work is nowhere fully listed. Much of it appeared in the sentimental tales and verse of

John Langhorne, or even in magazines and similar ephemeral publications. Though Taylor is said to have taken pride in the fact that he never "demeaned himself" by engraving political cartoons, he certainly did a lot of hack-work, among which the *Fatal Discoveries* and *Distressed Orphans* demanded by the readers of the *Town and Country Magazine* are conspicuous. For the *New English Theatre* (1776-77), on the other hand,

Taylor designed a number of theatrical plates which convey an accurate and highly interesting picture of the elaborate fashions of the day, above all the female head-dresses of dizzy heights which went under the nickname of "walking steeples." Compared with the charming frontispieces and title pages which he designed in the 'sixties, some of his later work appears stale, though it includes his best-known plates, like those to McKenzie's *Man of Feeling* (1773), Booke's *Fool of Quality* (1777), and to *Sir Charles Grandison* (1778).

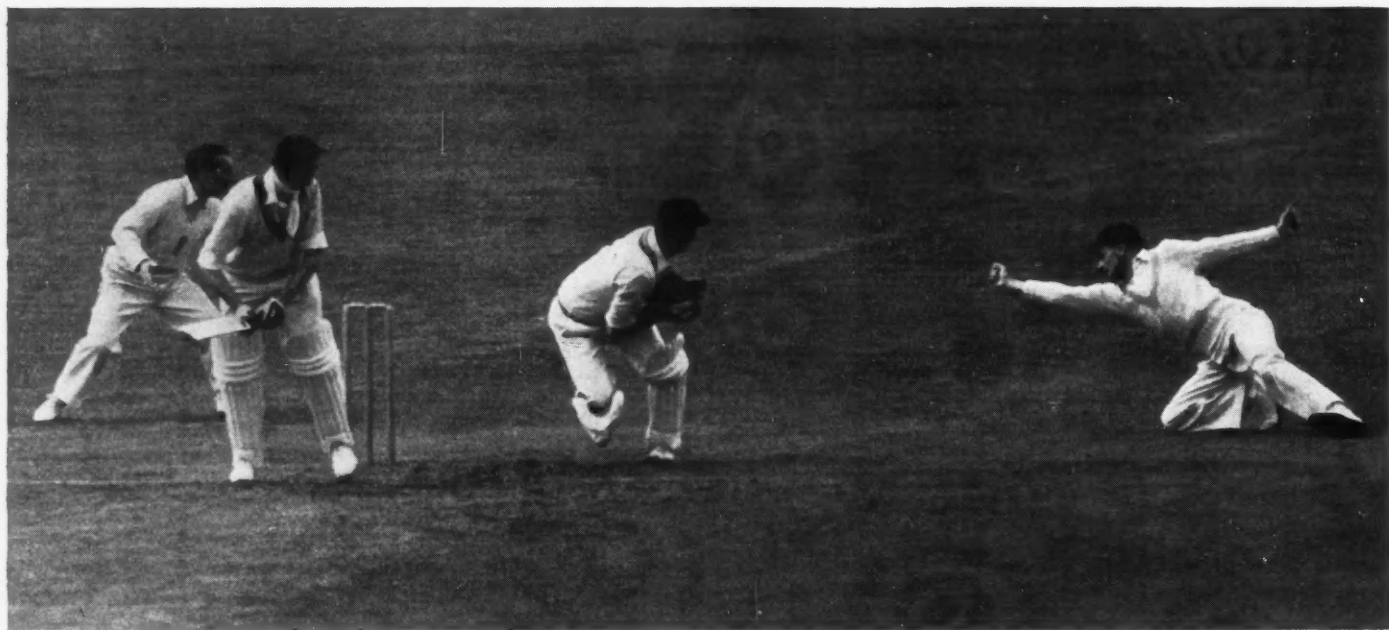
There is no trace of any book illustrations executed by the first Isaac Taylor after 1780. In that year, shortly after the Gordon riots, he appears to have retired to Edmonton, where he died in 1807. In the meantime, however, two of his sons trained by him, Charles and Isaac the second, had begun to work and exhibit as engravers and illustrators. Both took a prominent part in the grandiose projects of historical engraving sponsored by Boydell, especially his nine-volume folio edition of Shakespeare. The second Isaac Taylor (better known as Taylor of Ongar) later abandoned engraving for the pulpit and became a Non-conformist minister; he was the father of Ann and Jane Taylor, the authors of *Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star*.



THE COTTAGE VISIT: ENGRAVING BY TAYLOR FOR THE TITLE PAGE OF VOL. II OF *THE WORKS OF THE MARCHIONESS DE LAMBERT*. 1781

# IMPRESSIONS OF THE FIRST TEST MATCH

By R. C. ROBERTSON-GLASGOW



STOLLMMEYER GLIDING A BALL FROM HOLLIES PAST DOGGART DURING THE WEST INDIES' FIRST INNINGS IN THE RECENT TEST MATCH AT OLD TRAFFORD

WE had become used, even inured, to Test Matches at Manchester which produced either about 1,700 runs and no result, or umbrellas, improbable reminiscences, and also no result; and now a kindly Providence, or, rather, an intelligent groundsman, a vigilant committee, and accomplished spin bowlers have given us a match which was so continuously exciting that the crowd had to spread an expectant, even an agonised, silence over three days. Time was when you could leave a Test at Old Trafford for an hour and come back to find the ball still politely coming off at three-quarter stump height to batsmen who had only to avoid stark lunacy to remain at the wicket. But here was a Test in which a score of 50 was a feat, and a century sheer heroism. It was bad for the blood pressure, but good, how good, for cricket. It put the game back on the gold standard. It slapped some sense into those silly flatterers, Records and Batting Averages.

Humorous critics remarked that this Old Trafford Test pitch should be lifted with care and laid down for the other three Tests. But I doubt if the spectators' nerves or the batsmen's dignity would survive repetitions of such a surface. There must, I feel, be an interlude of calm; just as the homely coffee comes between the champagne and the liqueur brandy. And of what sort, you may ask, was this rascal or treasure of a pitch? Well, it was what is called a dry-spinner: a term which, in view of the batsmen's perplexity thereon, suitably suggests the exploratory motions of the angler. It was rather the same sort of surface on which, 16 summers ago at Nottingham, that illustrious pair of Australian spinners, O'Reilly and Grimmett, bowled England to defeat.

On the first morning at Old Trafford Valentine, slow left-hand, and Ramadhin, slow right-hand, were often hitting the England batsmen's hands. On the third afternoon, in his long and wonderful spell from the City end, Hollies sometimes made his leg-break spin like a humming-top and the leather ball bounce like rubber. In one over he twice made a leg-break pass over the tall Stollmeyer's right shoulder, and finish in second slip's hands. He followed this with a shooter. He conjured rather than bowled. This tremendous instrument offered to the hand of the slow bowlers needed control and direction, and, even allowing for Valentine's brilliant achievement in England's first innings,

it was, on the whole better controlled and directed by Hollies and the young left-hander Berry than by Valentine and Ramadhin. It never fell to be proved what a fast bowler of quality, such as Larwood or Lindwall or Miller, would have done on this pitch, for no bowler of that excellence or pace, none near it, was available. Some say that the stretcher-men would have been busy. Johnson, of the West Indies, even before his unfortunate strain, was of no more than very brisk fast-medium pace. The same applies to England's Bailey, who was also in trouble with his run-up and erratic. As to the fielding, here, too, the advantage lay with England, in both sureness and tactical disposition. Goddard, who himself set a fine example, was in some dilemma. Often, when he imposed the threat of an attacking field, he found himself needing a defensive one. Individually, Gomez at second slip, Worrell and Weekes anywhere, excelled. Weekes's catching of Edrich at wide slip in the second innings was a masterpiece of anticipation.

The West Indies had their chance on the first day. Valentine, in this first innings, as seldom in the second, was as accurate in direction as he was vicious in spin and lift. Half England had gone for only 88, and Hutton was in the pavilion, unable to hold the bat with his right hand. Then came Evans, at this funereal moment as gay as a carnival; and with him Bailey, brave, studiously correct, and calm; and somehow the spin and fierce danger faded away into ineffectual twiddlings. It was, I fancy, just after this partnership that Valentine asked, "When is the England captain coming in?" and was told, "You got him out over two hours ago!"

The second day belonged to Berry. He may prove to be the slow left-hander for whom we have waited as successor to the line of Verity and White, Parker and Rhodes. After Stollmeyer, so elegant and skilful, had fallen to a top-spinner from Hollies, Berry deceived the fluent but impetuous Worrell, then started a duel with Weekes, quick-footed, practical, tough. Weekes came out of this with honours, and we were already saying, "a second George Headley," when a sudden rashness seized him, and he hooked a shortish one from Bailey into mid-wicket's hands. But Weekes will come again. So will Worrell. Somewhere in these Tests they will surely commit vengeful murder on the bowling.

So England led by 97. The injured Hutton was reserved, and Doggart opened the second innings with Simpson. Doggart is most refreshing to watch. As a stroke-player he is already among the best. At the moment he hovers between daring and rashness. "Experientia does it"; ardour will soon blend with wisdom. Twice in this match he made the bowling look easier than it was. I think Goddard made a mistake in calling on wicket-keeper Walcott to open the bowling in place of Johnson, who was strained. Christiani is an admirable "keeper" in general, but he has not had much practice this summer, and here he was plunged suddenly into a maelstrom of spin. When Edrich was 17, Ramadhin drew him out with a leg-break, but the chance of stumping was missed.

Yet Simpson, Doggart and Dollery had gone for 43, and the second crisis of the match began at a quarter to five on this balmy afternoon when Yardley, the captain, joined Edrich. They stayed together till 6.15, when Yardley, perhaps impatient at the crowded leg-side field, tried to pierce it and was out l.b.w. Bailey, for the last quarter of an hour, and again on the third morning, did a manful job. Hutton, cheered to the wicket by the still anxious crowd, gave his memorable lesson in batting with only the left or master hand. Laker, a pleasing if airy batsman, avoided folly, and, apart from cloudbursts or miracles, the match was sealed.

But Stollmeyer's supreme exhibition was still to come. His 78, modest enough in the numerical records of achievement, showed him as a master batsman, "grim and gay," like some elegant but resolute swordsman surviving amid an otherwise one-sided brawl of battle-axes and knotted clubs. Worrell's fluent charm faded to mere fever; Weekes came and went.

So to the last morning, when there was no stay of execution. Stollmeyer, soon losing Christiani and Gomez, fell at last himself, attacking, and the pavilion rose to him. Johnson made a few high and defiant hits, then went his pensive way.

And soon, somewhat ironically, the hose-pipe was addressed to that pitch which had destroyed a dozen hopes, started a hundred arguments, and, be it remembered, brought England a victory of which she need not be ashamed.



# A ROYAL RAT-CATCHER

By GARTH CHRISTIAN

**A** RAT-CATCHER to the Royal Family was clearly a person of some importance in the 18th century. At one period he received an annual salary of £100 and wore a uniform of scarlet and gold. Robert Smith, who in 1768 published his *Universal Directory for Taking Alive and Destroying Rats and all other kinds of Four-footed and Winged Vermin*, proudly announced on the title page of his book that he was Rat-Catcher to the Princess Amelia.

Yet he approaches his subject with no lack of humility, being careful to point out that he would not dream of "imposing" upon readers by dealing with matters with which he was not familiar. He adds that the book is the fruit of 20 years of research and, though it may seem "telling and contemptible" to some people, he flatters himself that it will be productive of great public utility although the subject is but low and humble. He earnestly hopes his research "may give the reader great satisfaction, for the infinite wisdom of the great Creator is as conspicuous in a mole as in a camel, in a' ant as in a lion." If the work should please the "Gentlemen, farmers and warreners" for whom it was written, "the author will be attained the end he aimed at, and gratify the utmost extent of his ambition and wishes, namely the good and advantage of his fellow subjects and the general good of the community."

Despite this wordy introduction, Robert Smith wrote English almost as well as he caught rats. Only occasionally does he use sixty words where six would have done. He writes with an authority that does not merely spring from his position as a Royal rat-catcher. No one reading the book can doubt that here is a naturalist of experience and understanding who brings to his work something of the caution and passion for accuracy of the modern scientist.

True there are occasions when one is bound to question his judgment. Is it really a fact that cats may "take to the water like a spaniel, after water-rats"? Though in fairness it must be admitted that he hastens to add "this is a very rare and uncommon" occurrence.

Some of us would disagree with his opinion that badgers lack the extreme shyness of foxes, though it is not hard to see why he held this view. For tame badgers may become almost fearless. Wild badgers, too, may give the impression that they are bold, perhaps because they are short-sighted. I recently stood within nine feet of a wild badger—with the wind blowing into my face—without the powerful beast being aware of my presence, although he was facing me. When the badger did see me a few minutes later, he clumsily galloped away from the edge of the lawn where he had been feeding and disappeared in the wood beyond the garden.

Nor would modern naturalists approve of Robert Smith's views on the tawny owl, which he labels "the very worst winged vermin that exists." He claims that farmers whose ducks and poultry are roosting indoors before the brown owl begins his nightly search for food can count themselves fortunate, or there would soon be "few if any of them left." For once his normal caution in judging the habits of birds seems to have deserted him. No evidence is

produced in support of his theory that all tawny owls normally destroy large quantities of domestic fowls; he is content to remark that the huge appetites of the owls can be gauged from the manner in which a parent will sometimes carry three young rabbits to a single owlet in one night.

He is more enlightened in his attitude towards the barn-owl, even admitting that these "very beautiful birds . . . watch for mice . . . like a cat . . . destroying great numbers of the little vermin." Even in the 18th century barn-owls were protected by some farmers. Yet Robert Smith completes his remarks in praise of the barn-owl with the unexpected statement: "If you should see one of them, mimic the squeaking of the mouse and he will come up to you directly, and you may easily shoot him." This practice is also recommended to farmers and landowners desiring the destruction of tawny owls.

The killing of the London ravens proved to be one of the more lucrative practices of Robert Smith. He tells us that the citizens of the capital paid him as much for each dead raven as he could earn anywhere for killing kites and buzzards. For the ravens "are equally pernicious in killing the young rabbits, ducklings and chickens" of London. These ravens "generally frequent the outskirts of the Metropolis, living upon the filth." He claims a distinction between the familiar country ravens which are as "black as jet," (hence "as black as a raven") and the London birds

whose wings are a nasty, dusky brown colour occasioned by their wallowing in the dirt of the capital. Alas, Robert Smith and his fellows killed too many of the ravens, and there is no reliable record of a pair nesting in London after 1826, when a couple built in an elm in Hyde Park.

Despite these lapses, Robert Smith proved himself a far better naturalist than some of the more ruthless gamekeepers who practised their craft a hundred and fifty years later. In 1940 I came upon a gamekeeper in the Midlands who boasted that he had shot every kestrel in the neighbourhood in view of their "luf for game-birds." If only he had consulted the writings of Robert Smith! "If the windhover hawk should chance to see a mouse, they will dart with incredible swiftness like an arrow out of a bow, and catch it. Sometimes they will catch a mole. . . . They do not much damage or mischief but if I had not mentioned them this catalogue of hawks would have been incomplete."

Unfortunately, the author offers detailed instructions concerning the trapping of kites and buzzards. He is more discreet about "the little animal that is half a bird and half a mouse," otherwise known as the bat. Since they largely live on flies he sees no sense in describing how to kill them.

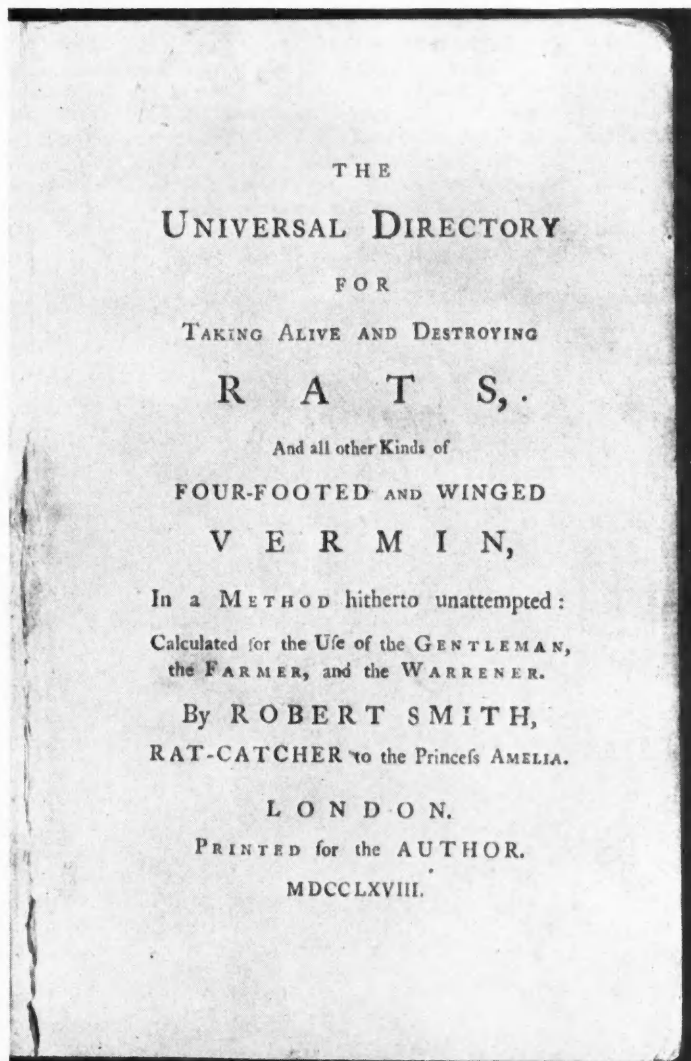
The belief that hedgehogs drink the milk of sleeping cows has been common since Cromwell's day. It crops up again here; Robert Smith insists: "I believe this opinion to be false, having never been able, after many years strict enquiring and observation, to discover a single instance of it." Yet accounts of this alleged phenomenon have been published within the present century. Robert Smith claims that hedgehogs live on acorns, roots and crabs. He does not appear to have been aware that they eat caterpillars, beetles, snails and even mice and snakes.

His attitude to rabbits is revealed by his remarks on the stoat. This animal, he insists, "is the worst small vermin that exists for if they approach any warren they do incredible mischief." They commit similar harm, he claims, in pheasantries and chicken gardens, sometimes killing a dozen fowls in a single night.

The weasel, too, he regards as an enemy on account of its attacks on rabbits, hares and chickens. Where rats roll away the eggs in a nest, weasels puncture a hole in each shell and "lick the yolk leaving the shell behind." His account of this creature ends with another description of his favourite method of killing. "When I have observed a weasel, I run into a hedge . . . and imitate the squeaking of a mouse. I have thus enticed the weasel to the side of the hedge and there shot him dead."

King of all the vermin in this island, he declares, is the fox. The animal is "subtle, sly and daring." There follows a detailed description of various hideous traps which should be used to get rid of these creatures.

Finally he deals with the problem of finding the right bait. Cheese is best, he insists. But it must be strong cheese. Above all, it must be Cheshire cheese, for that, apparently, is what foxes prefer.



TITLE-PAGE OF ROBERT SMITH'S TREATISE ON THE CATCHING OF VERMIN, PUBLISHED IN 1768



1.—THE GATES TO THE BROAD AVENUE FROM THE TOWN

## CIRENCESTER HOUSE—II. THE PARK

THE SEAT OF EARL BATHURST

By CHRISTOPHER HUSSEY

*Pope collaborated with Allen, 1st Lord Bathurst, in forming what is perhaps the most spectacular park in England and one that, to develop an analogy conceived by Burke, is coeval with the lifetime of the American nation*

CIRENCESTER PARK, or rather the series of conjoined parks that stretch from the town to Sapperton, five miles to the westward, is the finest example surviving of plantation on the pre-landscape model. Its creator, Allen, 1st Lord Bathurst, no doubt set himself to surpass that of Badminton in the same county, in taste if not in the over-all extent depicted in Kip's plates, which show the Duke of Beaufort's avenues radiating even beyond his princely domains. They, however, have been improved, then ploughed, almost out of existence, whereas Bathurst, setting to work when geometrical

avenues were beginning to go out of date, lived to go on planting them till 1775, when Capability Brown's system of naturalism was itself being called in question; and, ever since, his successors have maintained not only his great design but his practical interest in forestry.

It was this last—his interest in the technical and financial, equally with the scenic, aspects of planting—which prompted Pope's exclamation: "Who plants like Bathurst?" A recurring theme in the correspondence of the poet and the planter—which provides unique, if defective,

documentation for the great undertaking—is timber. In the first of the surviving letters (1718), Pope made it the theme of an amusing doggerel:

*Woods are, not to be prolix,  
Collective bodies of straight sticks;  
It is, my lord, a mere conundrum  
To call things woods for what grows  
und'r 'em,*

*For shrubs, when nothing else at top is,  
Can only constitute a coppice.*

Nor was Pope's continually solicited, and given, advice on the planting of the park limited to aesthetics. Whitwell Elwin discovered that in 1738 Pope actually invested £2,000 at 4 per cent. in Bathurst's improvements (of which £1,500 had been repaid by 1744). The security and yield must have lain in rentals from reclaimed farms, on which Bathurst is shown to have been engaged no less than with forestry, in Pope's lines addressed to him:

*Let rising granaries and temples here  
There mingled farms and pyramids  
appear;*

*Link town to town with avenues of oaks,  
Enclose whole downs in walls . . .*

The fact throws new and realistic light not only on the financial aspect of early 18th-century "improvements" generally and the nature of the Bathurst-Pope collaboration, but on the kind of plantation employed here.

Although it is the vast straight vista, radiating from circular *rond-points* and aligned on remote landmarks, which impress the eye at Cirencester, they are not avenues *in vacuo*, but broad rides between solid plantations. Cirencester Park is a forest on the Fontainebleau and Compiègne model; woodland diversified by glades; not grass land streaked with woods. And its survival is really due to the renewability of such plantations within rectilinear frames in a way that is practically impossible with the loose, irregular combination of covert and



2.—THE EASTERN SECTION OF THE BROAD AVENUE, LOOKING BACK TO CIRENCESTER STEEPLE





3.—THE ELM AVENUE FROM QUEEN ANNE'S COLUMN TO THE HOUSE

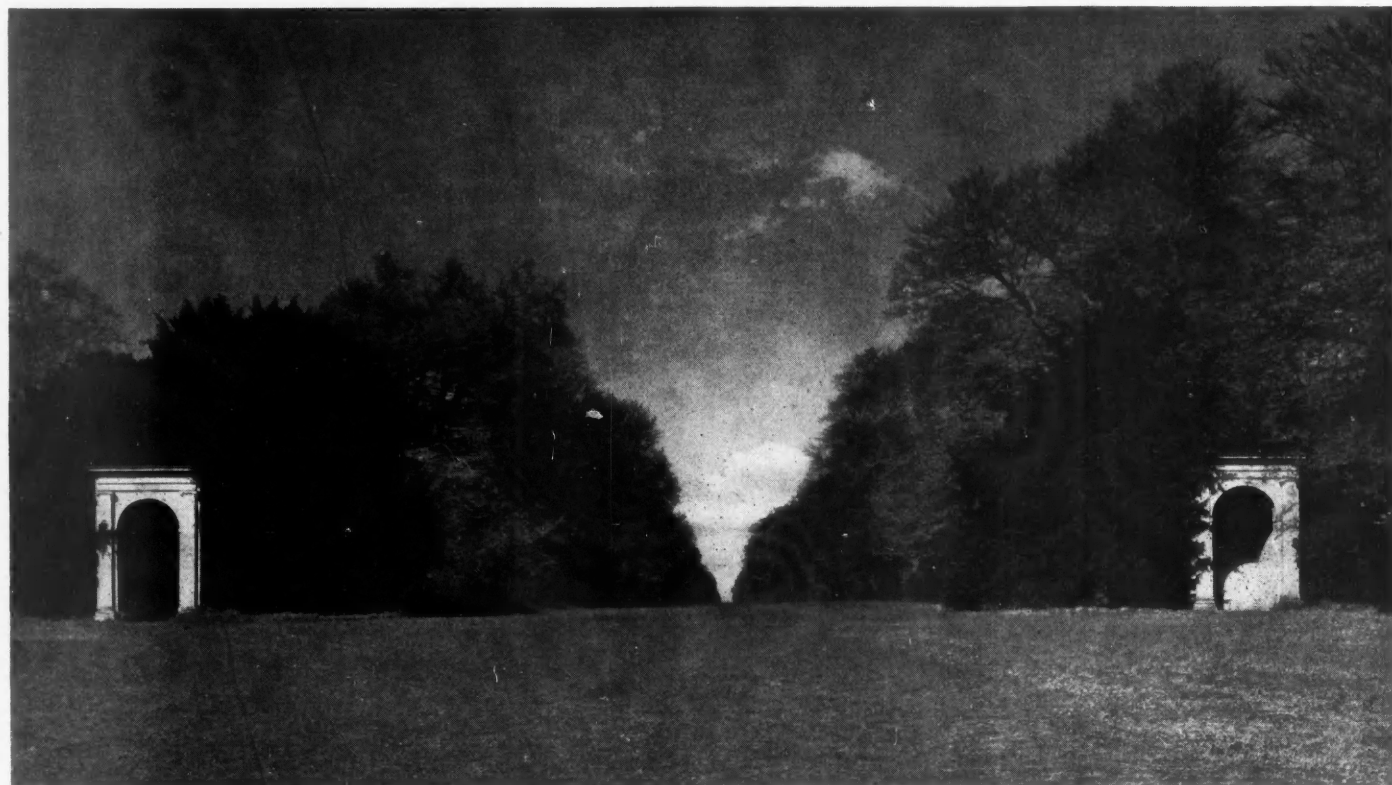
sward in landscape parks. That is being impressively demonstrated to-day at Cirencester where, although immense quantities of mature beech have been felled, especially during the war, the great lines are intact, and new plantations are growing up behind them.

Without knowledge of this essentially

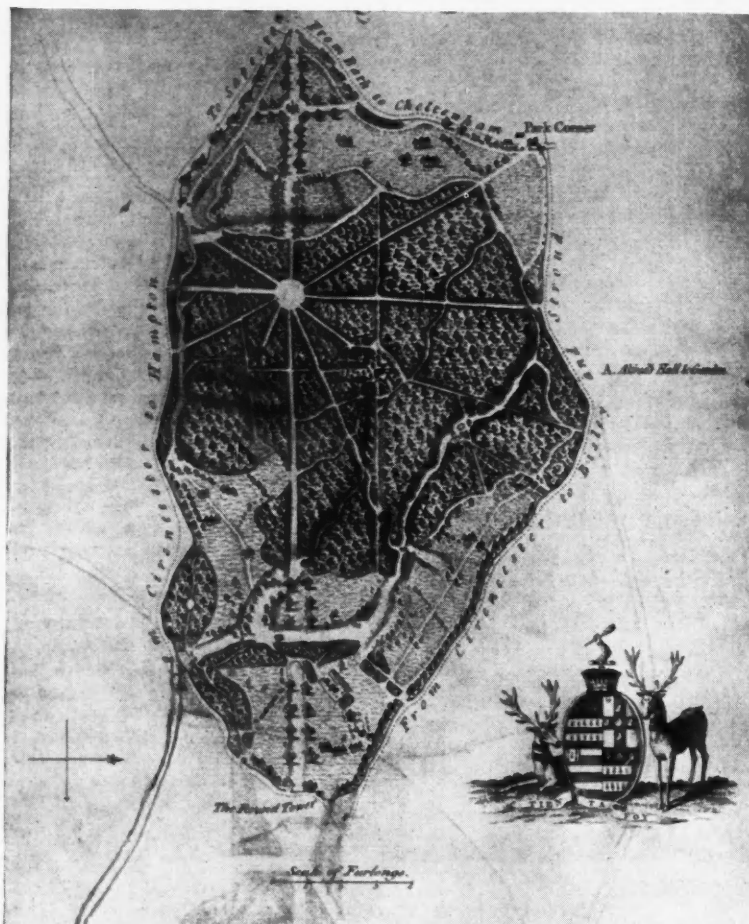
practical background to Bathurst's life-work, we might well find it difficult to account for this great park—in the design of which two of the reputed apostles of landscape design engaged themselves—differing so little from the geometry of Le Nôtre. Yet the lines in *The Essay on Taste*, beginning "Consult the genius of the place in all," which are generally

quoted as foreshadowing the naturalistic landscape movement, will be found, if read in this light, to describe more closely what Bathurst and the poet were doing at Cirencester.

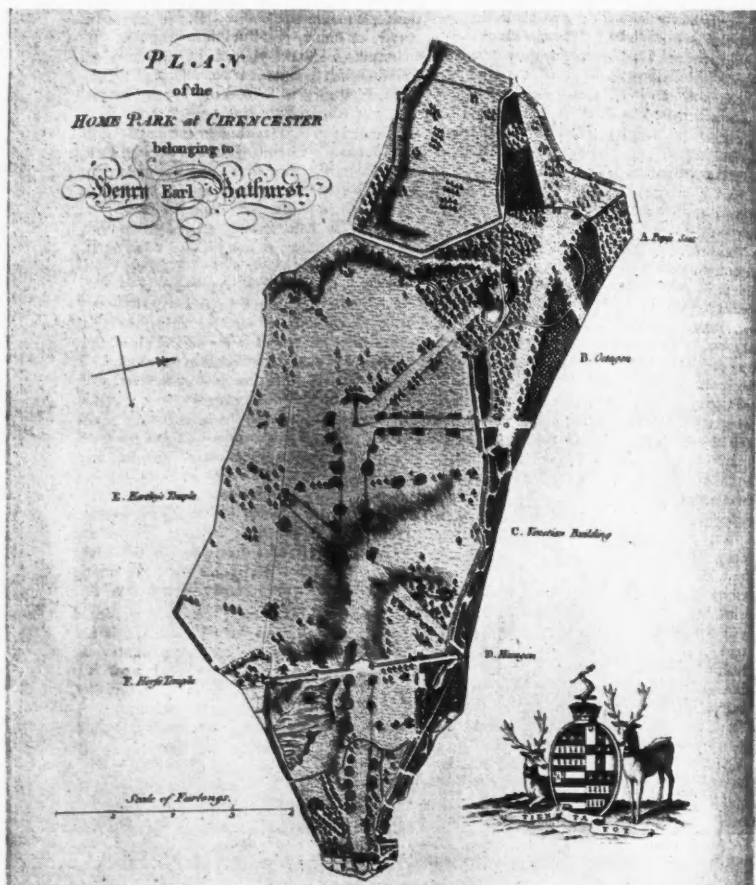
When in 1704 Allen Bathurst came into the Cirencester property, bought for him by his father, he found an Elizabethan house,



4.—THE HORSEGUARDS. These sentrybox-like features on the Broad Avenue face a *rond-point* some three miles along its course. The yews behind them exemplify the clever variety of planting throughout the woods



5 and 6.—OAKLEY GREAT PARK (above), which Lord Bathurst linked up with it, was originally separate from THE HOME PARK (below) extending westward from the House, which lies at its lower extremity. The Broad Avenue, clearly seen in the upper map, is shown as stopping short in the Home Park abreast of Queen Anne's column. From Rudder's *Gloucestershire*, 1779



with probably a small park of sorts attached to the house, corresponding to the present Home Park, beyond which he found, or formed, another, the Lodge Park. In 1716 he bought from the executors of Sir Robert Atkyns, the historian, the manor of Oakley and Oakley Wood lying westwards of these, and beyond them Sapperton, thus forming a continuous tract of wold and woodland connected with the Home and Lodge Parks. Now, they all form one continuous, if relatively narrow, stretch of woods and glades from Cirencester to Sapperton, threaded from end to end, nearly 1½ miles, by the grand vista of the Broad Avenue, running roughly WNW. by ESE. But, as late as 1779, plans in Rudder's *Gloucestershire* still show the Home and Oakley Parks as separate, omit the western extensions, and, surprisingly, show the Broad Avenue as stopping short by nearly a mile of its present eastern end (Fig. 1). Possibly the process of amalgamation was not yet complete. Rudder's plan of the Home Park shows another broad vista (due west from the house (Fig. 3) aligned on Queen Anne's column, whence a diagonal runs NW. to join the Broad Avenue at its first great *rond-point*, known as Seven Rides (Fig. 8). About a mile farther on, continuity is temporarily broken by Hermitage Bottom, but is picked up again



7.—HIGH TIMBER. Beeches in Cirencester Park

in Oakley Wood (Fig. 9). Where the Avenue crosses a glade two sentry box-like arbours (Fig. 4) give the place the name the Horseguards. A mile farther occurs the largest *rond-point* of all, called after the Ten Rides meeting there in the middle of Oakley Wood. Then on the Avenue goes through Sapperton Park and Plantation to Sapperton Common across an intervening gulley.

Throughout, and along the innumerable diagonal and subsidiary rides, uniformity is varied by the range of trees planted. Beech is the staple crop—and groves of magnificent stems are, happily, still standing (Fig. 7). But horse-chestnut lines the later extension of the Broad Avenue towards the town (Fig. 2); great elms emphasise the slopes formed by Bathurst at the sides of the vista from House (Fig. 3) to Queen Anne's column (where he cut off the top of a hill, he said). There are regions of oak, while wild cherry, yew, and occasional conifers colour particular points, e.g. at the Horseguards. It was perhaps the variety of seasonal colour, within the predominantly regular pattern, attained by Bathurst's forest-craft, which led contemporaries to rank him so high among planters. Autumn at Cirencester was a revelation to Pope himself—he wrote with surprise of "the very dying of the leaves" adding "a variety of colour which



is not unpleasant!" But examination of the maps will show that in other parts of the park Bathurst was by no means tied to symmetry and on the contrary revealed a brilliant sense of pictorial spaciousness—as in Cross Grounds Ride (Fig. 10).

No park was deemed complete without water, as Pope frequently emphasised, and Bathurst with great trouble contrived a lake at the south-east end of the Home Park in the area that is still disfigured by a war-time camp.

The operations, thus summarised, of amalgamating five previously distinct areas of park, wold, and woodland, intersected by vistas aligned on landmarks and occasionally interrupted by irregular glades or valleys, together with the works connected with contouring and lake-making round Queen Anne's column, seem to be specifically referred to in the last four lines of Pope's famous stanza. As his letters show, he recognised that, in this instance, the genius of the place was a sylvan deity.

*Consult the Genius of the Place in all;  
That tells the waters or to rise or fall;  
Or helps the ambitious hill the heavens  
to scale,  
Or scoops in circling theatres the vale;  
Calls in the country, catches opening  
glades,  
Joins willing woods, and varies shades  
from shades;  
Now breaks, or now directs, the intend-  
ing lines,  
Paints as you plant, and, as you work,  
designs.*

In his joining of willing woods, Bathurst seems to have begun from Oakley Wood, in the middle, and worked in both directions. In the earlier letters (1718-30) Pope teases him for being "immersed in your vast wood", and Bathurst writes of "reports which have pierced even through Oakley Wood", and of his need to purify himself from a neighbour's visit by walking round it. In 1730, in pressing Pope to come to Cirencester more often, he suggests the scale of his forestry when he playfully promises him to "cut you off some little corner of my park—500 or 1,000 acres—which you shall do what you will with, and I will immediately assign you 3 or 4 million plants out of my nursery to amuse yourself with. If you refuse I will immediately send one of my wood carts and bring away your whole house and gardens and stick it in the midst of Oakley Wood."



8.—SEVEN RIDES. Pope's Seat is seen on the left, the top of Cirencester steeple along the Broad Avenue



9.—THE FAR SECTION OF THE BROAD AVENUE IN OAKLEY WOOD. Looking west across Hermitage Bottom

But thenceforth his mind turned increasingly to those buildings without which no park was perfect. Pope was accommodated, not in Oakley Wood, but—at least according to long tradition—in the rusticated summer-house known as Pope's Seat (Fig. 12) on the periphery of Seven Rides (Fig. 8) where it has a view down one of the radials to Queen Anne's column. Its kind of masonry may be alluded to jokingly in a letter of 1736 with which he

sent Pope alternative designs for a building :

to answer three walks . . . I had a mind to have a cupola on purpose to try the effect of the Cornish slate which we can have from Bristol . . . The materials are already brought and . . . I think that rough stone exceedingly pretty and am ready to stand all the jokes of *Rusticus expectat*, etc. N.B. This building will be backed with wood, so that nothing more can be seen but the three sides. I design the ribs of the cupola shall be done with lead, which I will gild or paint of a gold colour which being set off by the blue of the slate will look admirably well. I will certainly make the three arches like that in the plan marked (a), but I am in doubt how to settle the fascias, cornice, etc. I leave it entirely to you . . . Another building is to be erected afterwards to answer the other diagonal which will also overlook the lake, no contemptible body of water I can assure you.

The arched building with a cupola is surely the Hexagon (Fig. 11) which lies beside the easternmost section of the Broad Avenue, and commands three vistas, one of which might have glimpsed the lake distantly. The letter shows conclusively that Bathurst designed these park features himself, giving much thought to them, and can be taken as presumptive evidence that he had been his own architect for the House.

In 1732, in a letter pressingly solicitous for Pope's health and his coming to recuperate at Cirencester, Bathurst told him, "I long to see you excessively, for I have almost finished my hermitage in the wood, and it is better than you can imagine, many things there are done that you can have no idea of." He was alluding to "King



10.—CROSS GROUNDS RIDE AND THE SQUARE TOWER. Looking north-west with Oakley Wood on the left. This spacious landscape shows that Lord Bathurst by no means restricted himself to avenues



11.—THE HEXAGON. North of the Broad Avenue in the Home Park. Designed by Lord Bathurst in 1736. (Right) 12.—POPE'S SEAT. It stands on the periphery of Seven Rides

Alfred's Hall", notable among follies as probably the first of mock castles, antedating Sanderson Miller's "ruinated structures" by some 20 years. Pope had had a hand in its origin, for in 1721 Bishop Atterbury had written to him, "may my Lord have as much satisfaction in building the house in the wood and using it, as you have in designing it." In 1732 it was elaborated. Mrs. Delany, the following year, told Swift that Lord Bathurst "has greatly improved the house in the wood, which you may remember but a cottage. It is now a venerable castle, and has been taken by an antiquarian as one of King Arthur's." Tudor and possibly mediaeval windows are incorporated in its battlemented towers and rustic walls, materials for some of which may be alluded to in Bathurst's reprehensible remark, "I have brought a great quantity of very good hewn stone from the old house at Sapperton to the great centre of Oakley Wood." That was in 1736, and Alfred's Hall stands at the spot. Whatever the inside was, it is now featureless.

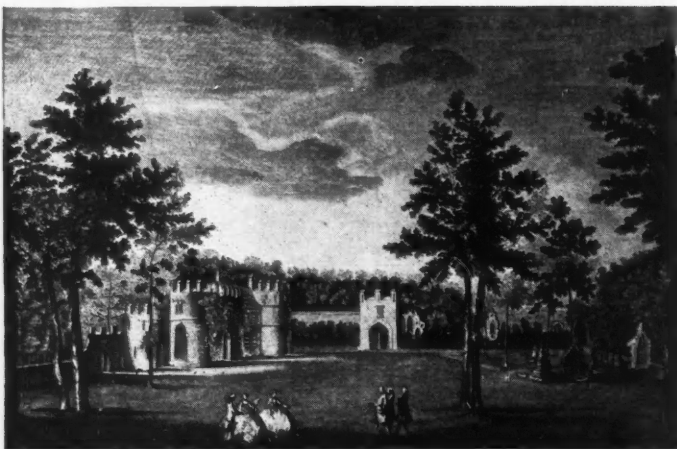
All this time, it would seem, the Broad Avenue stopped far short of the present eastern entrance to it. This was a result of Bathurst's having planned the park from the middle. Evidently he was anxious to link his great vista with the House, but whether owing to the density of the trees, or to defective surveys, could not decide whether the alignment of the completed section was correct.

His former political leader and now fellow-planter, Lord Bolingbroke, urged him confidently to persevere. "Are you planting? Are you levelling? What are you doing?" he wrote from Dawley in 1730. "Essex (the Earl of Essex, brother-in-law of the Duchess of Queensbury, who shaped Amesbury Park, another of the Pope-Gay-Bathurst circle), thinks, with me, that the marriage of the line of the great park with the house is practicable, but that it requires the phlegm he is master of rather than your lordship's impetuosity to contrive." It is not, so far as I can ascertain, established when the admirable solution was adopted of bringing the avenue to an independent gate at the side of the House and opening direct from the town. But a sarcastic, undated letter of Pope's from Bath seems to allude to the operation, sarcastic because he had not been consulted and had been staying some days at Cirencester in Bathurst's absence:

However, my visit to your house was not wholly void of all comfort to me, for I saw the steeple of Cirencester stand on one side over it, and the great vista in Oakley Woods to the said steeple, by being widened beyond its former hedges, bordered now only by some low thing I took to be a box edging on either side... I beheld with singular satisfaction every tree that bore the least pretence to high timber, totally cut down and done away. Whereby I see with delight the bare prospect you have made...

A further allusion to the idea of an obelisk may connect the date of the letter, and so of the extension of the avenue to Cirencester steeple, with the raising of Queen Anne's column in 1741. The contemptuous reference to young trees "like box edging" recalls how little of the glory of such parks as Cirencester their creators usually saw. The horse-chestnuts that now reduce the "bare prospect" to its still majestic width were planted inside the beech avenue, and the gates brought from Carshalton, Surrey, were set up at its end, by the 5th Earl (1866-78).

Lord Bathurst survived his poet-partner for thirty years, retaining till his death at 91 the vigour which Pope had confessed he found exhausting, and which the veteran Earl sustained by constant exercise about the farms and heightening vistas of his realised domain. At the end of his extraordinary span, Burke took occasion to compare with it the growth of American greatness, from scattered colonies to a nation, which had taken place within his lifetime. The analogy with the United States of this park which Allen Bathurst formed from scattered origins and which has attained such spectacular unity, is as apt to-day. As we explore its noble and interminable groves, whose beauty it has taken the lifetime of the American nation to mature, we may well be led to a prouder reverence for them and to a wider, deeper, perception of the values of such scenic achievements.



13 and 14.—KING ALFRED'S HALL. One of the earliest of Gothic follies. Originally a wood-house, designed by Bathurst and Pope in 1721; extended and Gothicised, 1733. It is near the middle of Oakley Wood



# LOCAL RULES FOR TIGERS

A Golf Commentary by BERNARD DARWIN

THE reader may have gathered from an occasional remark that I have had all I want of the rules of golf and that since I retired from the committee into private life I am not easily to be drawn on the subject. Now and again, however, my interest is aroused even on that well-worn theme and nobody could resist the proposed local rule of which I have just heard from a friend in India: "a ball lying in a tiger's pugmark on the brown may be lifted and placed without penalty."

This is not a joke; the tiger is not of the two-legged kind, but the genuine article, and the course is that of Kodaikanal in southern India, a hill station of Madras. It is, I believe, 13 years and more since I wrote some account of the course in COUNTRY LIFE, which published some photographs of it which this same kind friend had given me. Save that browns take the place of greens, the course looks for all the world as if it was in Surrey, perhaps near Woking and Worplesdon and West Hill, with its light green fairways and its dark green fir trees. I fancy there is also mimosa, represented by a thin yellow line between the two shades of green on the club tie which I proudly wear as an honorary member, though an absentee one. In that article I mentioned that tigers occasionally played upon the course, but I gather that this had become a thing of the past until quite lately when they have come back. Apparently the owners of the cattle and the cowherds had formed a habit of leaving a few buffaloes or cows to graze on the course at night and this was too obvious a temptation for the tigers which had been driven to the hills by the failure of the rains and to the lack of water lower down.

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In course of time three of these marauders were shot, one of them within 50 yards of the second hole, whither he had come back to his kill. However, that was not the end, and I will quote from my friend's letter: "Last Sunday evening there was heavy rain and about 6 p.m., while it was still raining, two buffaloes were seen by the club servants galloping past the Clubhouse, which clearly indicated that something was after them, as ordinarily buffaloes are most lethargic animals. Anyhow, some time during the night a tiger wandered on to the 18th brown, which after the rain was very soft, and left very clear and deep impressions on it. The next night he was again on the prowl and left other pugmarks on the 15th and 6th browns, which are fairly close to each other; but this time there were small pugmarks as well which showed that the prowlers were a tigress accompanied by her cub."

The little tiger being brought out for a walk by its mamma is rather engaging, yet on the whole I would rather play my golf where there are rather fewer tigers. In fact, when I first read my friend's letter I felt a distinctly cold shiver run down my back, just as I do whenever I re-read *The Hound of the Baskervilles* and come to Dr. Mortimer saying in a whisper: "Mr. Holmes, they were the footprints of a gigantic hound."

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Use and wont doubtless make a difference and my friend does not seem to have minded the tigers so much as he did the inquisitive people who came to gaze at their pugmarks. He counted 15 cars on the road just above the 18th brown and about 50 people crowding on to it. This, he remarks, was "too much of a good thing"; he drove the crowd away and had the exciting marks rubbed out so that there should be nothing to see. I sincerely hope that the suggested local rule has not since then been required, for I am bound to say that the thought of a tiger lurking in the rough would, I feel sure, put me completely off my game. My only experience of the kind—and it was infinitely milder—was with the fierce wolfish dogs in the nature of Alsations to be found in

Macedonia. Near one of the greens on our course there was a peasant's shack which harboured two or three of these creatures. They did no more than look at us with very ugly faces, but they had an unattractive habit of creeping rather nearer to us from behind while we were wagging. One of my regular opponents had a most elaborate preliminary address to the ball and definitely needed a sentry. One or two of these Macedonian dogs might have hastened some of the more dilatory putters at St. Andrews the other day.

My story from Kodaikanal has sent me off at a tangent to wondering when "tiger" was first used by golfers to signify an eminent person with a handicap of plus something. I am quite sure it was never heard in the remote days when I began to play golf, nor indeed for some time afterwards. Neither was "rabbit" in use; the humbler members of the golfing creation were, to the best of my belief, described as duffers. "Tiger" has certainly had quite other meanings in earlier times. It signified the small groom who accompanied his master in a dog-cart. For instance, Bailey Junior was Mr. Montague Tigg's, or rather Mr. Tigg Montague's, tiger in *Martin Chuzzlewit*. The word also signified a disreputable person, a flash man, "a dissolute swaggerer or bully," in the language of the *Oxford Dictionary*. Let me

cite a venerable friend, Major Pendennis, on the subject of Mr. Bloundell-Bloundell: "A man may have a very good coat-of-arms, and be a tiger, my boy," he remarked to his nephew. "That man is a tiger, mark my word—a low man. . . . He frequents low gambling-houses and billiard halls, sir, he haunts third-rate clubs—I know he does." I have consulted a new and fascinating book, Mr. Eric Partridge's *Dictionary of the Underworld*, in which is to be found the language of spivs and gangsters and racketeers and such like more or less, perhaps rather less, attractive people. "Tiger" can, it appears, mean a parasite, but this is slang and not cant. It is also gamblers' slang for the game of faro and tiger-juice is a boot-legger term for whisky.

Nowhere can I find any clue to the modern golfing meaning of "tiger." Can it be that the word was originally applied to one who like Mr. Bloundell-Bloundell was far too good a player for anyone to play with safely and that gradually it came to have a more innocent meaning? This is a pure guess on my part and probably a bad one. I rather incline to believe that the tiger was chosen simply as the most obvious opposite of the mild or harmless rabbit. Perhaps someone can tell me and meanwhile I am glad the tiger is a strictly metaphorical animal in this country.

## THE LAW AND THE LAND—XIV

# CONTROLLING ADVERTISEMENTS

By W. J. WESTON, Barrister-at-Law

1. From the Clerk of the Council of Little Dogberry to Colonel Colin Bogey, of Simla Cottage.

SIR,  
It has been reported to our Planning Officer that a notice appears on a wall, facing the highway, of your barn. This notice is not one of such as is included in the specified classes exempt from control under the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations, 1948: it is not a "functional advertisement of a local authority" (a bus-stop notice, for instance) nor a "notice relating to the premises on which it is displayed" (a dentist's name-plate, for instance).

The notice is, therefore, an advertisement for which, under S.12 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, preliminary permission should have been obtained. I refer you to S.12(4) of the Act: "the use for the display of advertisements of any external part of a building which is not normally used for that purpose shall be treated as involving a material change in the use of that part of the building."

For your guidance, however, I point out that, under S.18 of the Act, the Planning Authority has power to grant permission "for the continuance of any use of land instituted before the date of permission."

If, therefore, you should wish the authority to give such retrospective permission, I am to ask that you submit plans (including drawings) in triplicate. Otherwise the notice must be at once removed.

Yours faithfully . . .

2. From Colonel Colin Bogey to the Clerk of the Council.

DEAR SIR,  
I thank you for your most informative letter.

The notice to which you refer was placed upon my barn without my sanction: I was in fact, unaware of it until I learnt of it from you. I now find that it is a chalked inscription, a declaration that "John Brown loves Kitty Jones." The notice is to me a pleasant reminder of the trees in the Forest of Arden,

From the East to Western Ind  
No jewel is like Rosalind.

I do not purpose, therefore, to have the notice removed. At the same time I do not appreciate

any need for my submission to you of plans and application.

Yours faithfully . . .

3. From the Clerk of the Council to Colonel Bogey.

SIR,  
Unauthorized Maintenance of Advertisement

I am directed to point out to you that, if you should persist in your maintenance of an advertisement for which planning permission has not been given, you make yourself liable to heavy and possibly continuing penalties.

The fact that the advertisement appeared "without your knowledge or consent" precludes a conviction under S.32(4) of the Act. You now have, however, the requisite knowledge, and you come within the provisions of S.32(3): i.e. "you are guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds and, in the case of a continuing offence, forty shillings for each day during which the offence continues after conviction."

I refer you also to S.24(1) of the Act. This empowers a local authority to enter upon land and remove the offending advertisement; the cost of the removal is a contract debt recoverable from you.

Yours faithfully . . .

4. From Colonel Bogey to the Clerk of the Council.

DEAR SIR,  
I thank you for your letter pointing out to me the perils that I face.

I discovered this morning that the notice about which you have been good enough to correspond with me has now been deleted. On my enquiring I found that the lady in the case, one Kate Jones, daughter of my bailiff, had wiped out the notice with her duster. It would appear that, though she welcomed the notice at the outset, she subsequently changed her mind. She no longer subscribes to "Barkis is willin'."

May I assume that you will now call off your heavy guns?

Yours faithfully . . .

We much regret that in some of the copies of our issue of last week the picture on the cover was incorrectly described. It was, of course, of the River Dart.

# PROBLEM OF THE FULMAR PETREL

Written and Illustrated by R. M. LOCKLEY

VARIOUS theories have been put forward to explain the remarkable increase of the fulmar petrel in the present century. But so far as I am aware no one has suggested that it is associated with the rapid development of the steam trawling and fishing industry, with which it, nevertheless, coincides closely in time. Steam trawlers began to make the first regular deep-sea trips about 1885. This is the date recorded for the first noteworthy increase and spread of the fulmar. However, it is not quite so simple as that; some account must be taken also of the considerable increase of deep-sea fishing smacks and schooners under sail in the middle of the last century.

the fulmars continued to increase in both places, yet no satisfactory explanation of this anomalous state of affairs could be given. The fulmar laid only one egg each year. It was known to feed almost omnivorously on all floating fish food, carrion, and the refuse of the whale and cod-fisheries—the most important commercial fisheries of the north in the last century. Probably this early increase was associated in some degree with the building and operation of fleets of schooners for the salt-cod industry: the fulmar is recorded as attending these hardy line-fishing ships and devouring the offal thrown overboard, but its increase does not seem to have been a subject for speculation at that time.

rank-tasting fulmar first. Then, as the human population dwindled from 104 in 1840, to 47 in 1929, and 0 in 1934, the fulmars were able to increase uncontrolled; and so began the present spread.

This is an attractive idea, but it is not consistent with the facts. The St. Kildans were never able to afford coin to buy quantities of preserved food. They handled very little money, and continued to take large numbers of young fulmars (10,000 in 1919, for example) almost to the last, and long after the spread of the bird to other parts of Britain had begun.

By 1878 the fulmar had reached the Shetlands (Foula), by 1887 Sula Sgeir and Norh



FULMAR PETRELS WAITING IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC FOR THE HAULING OF A TRAWL

The fulmar has bred from time immemorial in Greenland, Iceland, and the Arctic islands (Spitzbergen, Bear Island, Jan Mayen, etc.). One hundred and fifty years ago it was less numerous even in Iceland, where the Myrdalsfjall district, now a favourite breeding-place, was first colonised about 1820. At that time it was only a casual visitor to the Faeroes, where it began to breed freely about one hundred years ago. In both these places it was used extensively for food. Up to 100,000 young fulmars were taken in the Faeroes annually; an outbreak of psittacosis between 1933 and 1937, however, was traced to the plucking of these birds, and their collection in the Faeroes was prohibited.

Nevertheless, although almost all the tens of thousands of young fulmars accessible to the daring cliff-climbers of the Faeroes and Iceland were collected as food for over a hundred years,

Turning to the British Isles, the fulmar is known to have bred at St. Kilda since at least 1697 when "Martin Martin, Gent." made his famous "Late Voyage to St. Kilda." Earlier writers, in 1594 and 1612, do not specifically mention the fulmar, though they mention "wyld foulis" and wildfowling. Martin gives an entertaining and accurate count of the breeding of the fulmar at St. Kilda. Various writers have since estimated that the annual consumption of young fulmars by the inhabitants of St. Kilda was between eight and ten thousand birds, or about half the probable output of young fulmars there.

There has always been a popular belief that as preserved and tinned food became available by degrees to the people of St. Kilda owing to the establishment of a regular steamer service from 1877 onwards, the St. Kildans gave up their sea-bird diet gradually, abandoning the

Rona were occupied, by 1900 the Orkneys were reached, and thereafter the spread down the coasts of northern Scotland became rapid. Ireland was reached by 1911. At the present day fulmars are breeding in Cornwall and Norway and are frequenting the coasts of Brittany.

Among the conclusions reached by the 1941 Fulmar Enquiry of the British Trust for Ornithology (*Journal of Animal Ecology*, 10, 204-272) is one (No. 23) that "The fulmar feeds on plankton and any oily matter it can get. It is not known whether there is any correlation between the changes in its distribution and in its food supply." In his valuable paper on the habits and distribution of birds on the North Atlantic (*Proceedings of the Boston Society of Natural History*, 1935, 40, 271), V. C. Wynne-Edwards "wonders if the food they obtain from the refuse of ships forms an appreciable part of the total food consumed," and decides that it is

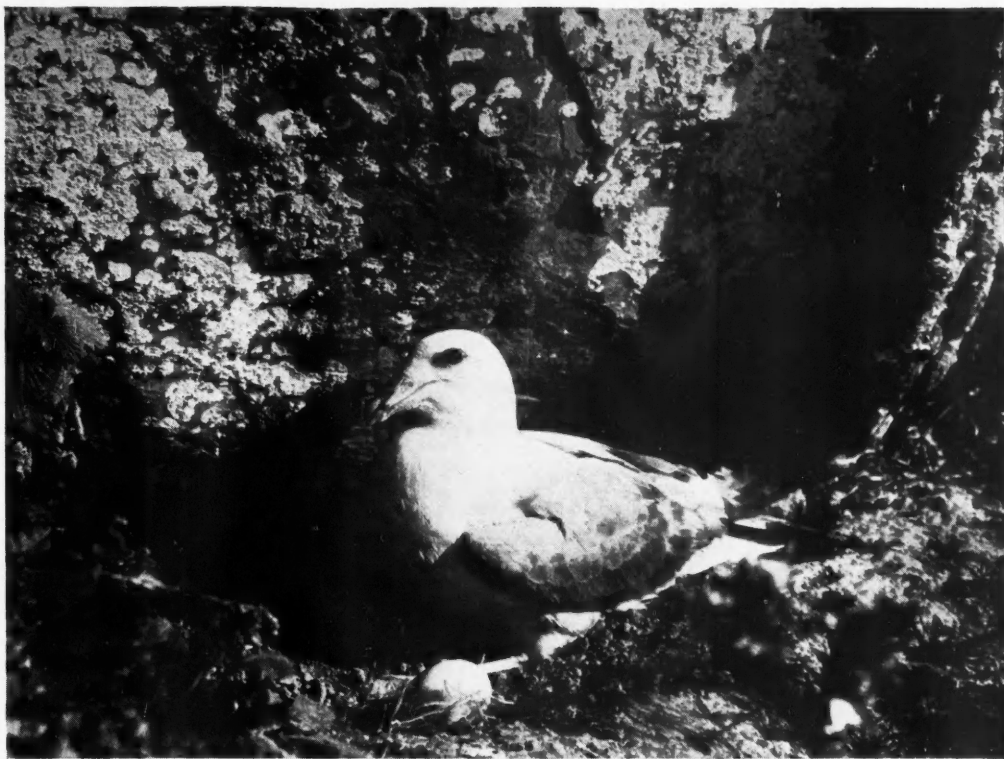


"unlikely that food so obtained is really of much importance to them." He is referring to large transoceanic ships, and he overlooks the question of fish-offal from trawlers.

It was only after a journey in a trawler to the fishing banks some 250 miles north-west of Ireland, and over 150 miles west of St. Kilda, that I began to realise that the increase of the fulmar is most likely due, at least in a large measure, to the great increase in the number of power-driven fishing vessels in North Atlantic waters, and especially of steam trawlers. The behaviour of the fulmars indicated this very plainly to one who has studied the tribe of petrels at their breeding grounds.

On a modern trawler at the fishing grounds the trawl is hauled about every four hours day and night. A ton of fish is gutted every four hours, and some hundredweights of offal are sliced overboard every four hours. During trawling operations in deep water, up to 120 fathoms or so, a cloud of fulmars follows the steaming vessel. Immediately the loud clanking of the winch is heard, as the warps are drawn in, the numbers of fulmars increase. During the actual gutting process there may be 1,000 attending each trawler in these waters of the Rockall Bank. At the moment of hosing down and cleaning the fish pounds, when the gutting is over, and a vast mass of gills, liver and waste fish slides through the scuppers, the horde of fulmars is doubled or trebled. On one occasion about 5,000 were estimated to be within a stone's throw of our trawler, fighting and squabbling for the best tit-bits. The livers were the most prized items, and were desperately fought for by the whirling dove-grey mass of mollies, as the trawler-men call the fulmars.

When satisfied, each individual settled quietly on the sea, to drink and wash and preen, taking no further part in the food scramble, but drifting far astern of the ship. With its stomach crammed full of nourishing liver and fish a fulmar will probably not feed again for several days. Studies of petrel species in recent years have proved that a fast of a few days at the nesting site is a common occurrence.



A FULMAR WITH ITS EGG. "Each sex takes a spell of four days or so on the egg while the other is away feeding"

Marked Manx shearwaters, for example, have travelled over 1,200 miles to feed in the Bay of Biscay during nesting operations at Skokholm: each bird leaves behind its mate, which must fast while incubating the egg, until, days later, it is relieved by the return of the "holidaying" partner from a feeding cruise, well set up and ready to undergo a similar spell of fasting in its turn. We now know that the fulmar incubates in a similar fashion: each sex takes a spell of four days or so on the egg while the other is away feeding. The young bird is stuffed with food daily at first, but gradually the visits of the parents grow less frequent, and the chick is finally deserted.

It must, then, be well within the capacity of the fulmar to fly several hundred miles from the breeding cliff during its off-duty days; and this easily explains the vast numbers attending the deep-sea trawlers in the North Atlantic within and along the whole of the Continental Shelf. We were at the Rockall Bank in June in company with some ten other trawlers, and at a very low estimate there must have been 20,000 fulmars in attendance upon this small fleet; and, of this great number surely many must have been active breeding birds.

It is noteworthy that when Harvie-Brown and Barrington visited Rockall in 1896, they recorded a maximum of 20 fulmars in sight at one moment. But to-day, at any given moment in each twenty-four hours throughout the year in the seas around Europe, Iceland, Greenland, and North America there are hundreds of trawlers, line-fishing boats and other craft, fishing, hauling and gutting fish, and disposing of thousands of tons of offal. Close inshore the gulls take advantage of this, but offshore it is the fulmars that are the principal scavengers of this bountiful waste. Consequently there is ever a plentiful supply of food for the powerful and bold foraging fulmar—a bird which, as we have seen, is perfectly adapted to a few days' fasting at the breeding cliff between these gluttonous deep-sea feasts.

The "molly" has been known to the hardy North Atlantic fishermen since the first deep-sea sailing smacks crossed to the Newfoundland Banks, and it is possible that further research may reveal that the earliest increase of the fulmar coincides with the boom in the salt-cod industry, of over one hundred years ago, as I have suggested. There seems no doubt, however, that the rapid increase of the bird in the present century is closely associated with the vast and steady stream of offal thrown into the sea by modern steam- and power-driven fishing vessels.



A HALF-FLEDGED FULMAR

## A CAUSERIE ON BRIDGE

THE BATTLE OF BRIGHTON By M. HARRISON-GRAY

OF Britain's three consecutive post-war successes in the European Championships, our dramatic last-minute win at Brighton stands out as the most meritorious. It was, as before, a triumph for British bidding methods—I can only repeat that modern matches are won by better bidding and not by superior skill in the play of the cards—but there were certain factors that made our task this year more onerous than ever.

The British Bridge League had made some drastic changes in the personnel of our national team. It took the view that chivalry excellence was not the sole desideratum in a British team, and refused to be persuaded into the belief that other equally efficient players could not be found.

The players selected to play under my captaincy were Leslie Dodds, Kenneth Konstam, Jack Marx, Louis Tarlo and "Nico" Gardener.

The last three were new to European Championship play; in fact, the team consisted of three comparatively untried partnerships. It is not altogether surprising that odds of 50 to one, even 100 to one, were laid against us in London circles.

All forms of betting are, of course, strictly barred in tournament Bridge, but it gives a certain satisfaction to learn that many of our supporters accepted these odds with alacrity and profit.

One reason for the pessimism was the knowledge that the Continental challenge would be far stronger than usual. France, for instance, were an obvious danger. In the past the French team has usually consisted of half a dozen brilliant individuals, subject to the ups and downs of their traditional temperament; but 1950 saw the return of their great master, Pierre Albarran, after a long absence from the game through illness. The formation of Albarran-Jais and Peeters-Koytchou presented a problem to which few teams could find the answer.

For Holland, the redoubtable partnership of the Goudsmit brothers was seen in action for the first time since the war, with another fine pair in Filarski and Cats. Sweden had much the same team as before, but were up against an unusual complication. Rudolph Kock, who with Einar Werner has been the backbone of Swedish Bridge since the middle 'thirties, is the ex-captain and present manager of their national football team.

In mid-week Sweden played Holland in preparation for the World Cup contest at Rio; Kock had to fly back to Stockholm and Sweden won the football match, but lost two Bridge matches during his absence which they might otherwise have won.

The Swedes play so well that their defeat by the British team, year after year, is something of a mystery. We beat them at Brighton,

although they were at full strength, by the extraordinary margin of 40 match points. Their brightest player is the massive Jan Wohlin, 26 years old and weighing 21 stone, known throughout Europe with affection and respect as "the Swedish Fat Boy."

Sweden tied with Britain on victory points, but on any other method of scoring we would have won by the greatest margin in the history of the Championships. Our net plus score over all matches in terms of match points was 166. Sweden could only show a plus of 38; figures that speak for themselves.

A wonderful performance was put up by Iceland in finishing third. They have less than 250 tournament players in the whole island, and their only contact with the outside Bridge world is during the week of the Championships. We were the only country to beat them decisively.

The last has not been heard of the Italian team and their freak bidding system, which at one time threatened to disrupt the whole tournament. Here is an example of the system at work:—

WEST	♠ A K J 9 6 3	EAST	♠ 7 4
♥ A Q 7 5		♥ J 10 3	
♦ K 4		♦ A J 10 6 3 2	
♣ 8		♣ Q 5	

With West the dealer, the bidding was One Diamond—One Spade; Two Hearts—Two No-Trumps; Three Spades—Four Spades. East was less surprised than the opponents when his dummy went down. I gather that One Diamond is a conventional forcing bid; East responds on a step system to show high card tricks, One Heart showing half a trick, One Spade (as in this case) one trick, and so on. At this point I must defer explanation.

On the second board of our own match against Italy, our East player opened One Spade and the Italian sitting over him bid Three Diamonds on the following:—

♠ 5	♥ A K 10 8 7 6	♦ J	♣ A K J 5 3
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This, it transpired, was a conventional bid to show a strong two-suiter in Hearts and Clubs!

Shortly afterwards, an Italian opened Two Clubs with these cards:—

♠ A 10 5	♥ J 8	♦ K 10 6 4	♣ A 9 8 5
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We were apparently expected to know that this call showed a balanced hand with less than 13 points.

Add to this the language difficulty, and it will be appreciated why the Italians at one time looked like winning the title. With protests pouring in from all quarters (Britain abstaining, for reasons that I will explain later), it was perhaps just as well that the giant-killing Belgians finally put them out of the running.

It may not be generally known that English is the official language of Bridge. Wherever the Championships are held, all bidding and conversation at the table has to be

conducted in English. One is not even allowed to curse the partner in one's native tongue when the hand is over. Any sudden gush of sibilants or gutturals is met with a stern reprimand from the official in charge.

This is not such a handicap as it may sound to the foreign players, most of whom speak very good English—the most fluent being the French, who are yet the worst offenders in their post-mortems. On one occasion Albarran's partner, after repeated admonitions, snapped out: "Am I allowed to call my partner Pierre? Or must I address him as Peter?"

Another episode: a Scandinavian news-hawk wished to ascertain the whereabouts of Eric Jannersten, editor of *The European Bridge Review*. He approached a Latin camp-follower whose knowledge of English was limited. After he had repeated "Jannersten, Jannersten" several times in anguished tones, a look of comprehension dawned. The Scandinavian was led along various corridors until his Latin guide pointed triumphantly to a cloakroom door.

Reverting to the Italians, the tournament committee did their best by supplying typescript copies of the "system" (which ran to six pages of foolscap) to each of their opponents. But the question may well be asked, why was this system ever permitted?

Law 43 (d) in the revised Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge reads as follows: "The Director, Sponsoring Organisation or Tournament Committee may forbid the use of such convention as might place other contestants at a disadvantage, or the explanation of which might cause undue delay."

On these grounds the European Bridge League recently banned the use of a Swedish and a Belgian system, both of which were simplicity itself compared with the Italian Chinese puzzle.

But, somehow or other, the Italian system escaped the notice of the official scrutineers until the tournament was well under way. The first teams to suffer at their hands thought they were coping with exotic psychics rather than a perfected code between partners. These countries not unreasonably suggested that the others should undergo the same ordeal; the Italians themselves were willing to abandon their codes and cyphers and revert to normal Bridge. They were, in fact, a team of excellent sportsmen; there was no question of trying to pull a fast one on their opponents; probably the Laws of Duplicate Bridge have not yet been translated into Italian.

The only alternative, which I am glad the Committee rejected, was to disqualify the Italians and cancel the results of all their matches. This system, incidentally, was known as the "Marmik." It was referred to by other names before the week was over.

(To be continued)

TELEPATHY: A SUGGESTION By OSCAR BAGNALL

I WONDER whether those interested in the transmission of thoughts have considered the possibility of human radiations being the agent—radiations emitted by the nervous system in general, and by the brain in particular.

I am a biologist, having no knowledge of, and but little interest in, the occult, but I have gathered considerable evidence that rays emitted by our bodies have a wave-length somewhere in the ultra-violet region—probably just short of our visible range, but within that of nocturnal animals, the retinas of whose eyes are studded with nerve-endings not unlike those which we use for night-seeing and which are blinded by daylight.

Although such eyes cannot distinguish colours, as such, they are aware that the wave-lengths which appear to us as (say) yellow and blue are different. They are not able to detect red at all but, for compensation, their spectrum extends slightly into the ultra-violet country, as I pointed out in an article published in *COUNTRY LIFE*, of August 5, 1949.

Rays incident upon our bodies are presumably re-emitted as emanations, radiations, auras—call them what you will—with an altered wave-length. I suggest that rays of short wave-length are re-emitted as a haze around us and that the fluorescent substance responsible for the alteration of wave-length that causes the production of this haze is our nervous tissue. It seems that, although these radiations are just not visible to our eyes, unless we have sensitised them by the use of special apparatus—I used a dicyanin screen—it is probable that many animals can detect them clearly as a haze surrounding us.

The dicyanin screen to which I have just referred, consisted of a hollow biconvex lens which was made of a plastic material and was filled with a solution of the coal-tar dye, dicyanin; the use of such a screen for a short period each day gradually alters the range of our visible spectrum, enabling us to see slightly into what would normally be the ultra-violet region. The power given by such a sensitising

screen is accumulative, but is soon lost when the sensitising practice is discontinued. One might describe its action as being that of making the eyesight young again, since it tends to correct long sight, to which older people are subject.

Part of these radiations will run to a magnet, though I have found that this phenomenon applies only to that part in the immediate vicinity of our bodies; the farther edge of the haze that envelops us appears to have no appreciable mass and to vary considerably in different individuals. Sometimes thin pencils of rays, somewhat brighter than the rest of the haze, can be seen carrying on beyond it and extending over a considerable distance. Evidence all points to the nervous system—and especially the brain, naturally—as being responsible for this outer haze, which seems certainly to be of ultra-violet wave-length. The less interesting inner aura may be emitted by tissue of hypoblastic origin.

The aura disappears when death takes place; it is not possible for it to be left behind



as a ghost to go a-haunting. It fades in cases where the subject undergoing inspection becomes unconscious, for instance owing to a fainting attack, but gradually reappears as consciousness returns. I have tried the effect of a Wims-hurst machine with the result that the inner aura becomes extended farther from the body, possibly owing to the material particles being shot farther afield beyond the outer haze.

Is it possible that these occasional bright pencils of rays that I have mentioned can register themselves on the auric fields of others in reasonably close proximity to them? I am not suggesting that interference takes place in the waves and, even if it did, I cannot see how rays that have already left the body—and are travelling away from it—could signal back along their own tracks such interference in the amplitude of their waves. Possibly the increased energy due to the interference may be able to make itself felt on the receiving nervous tissue of another person or animal and thus carry some sort of impression to the brain. I do not pretend to know. I do suggest, however, that animals that can see the auras of their fellows can optically read changes in that part of the haze for which the brain is responsible. The team-work of lions when hunting together at night is uncanny. I know they are able to "throw" the voice as well as a ventriloquist, and do when out of sight of one another, but they also seem to anticipate each other's moves as though they were gifted with the power of thought-reading.

Whether we have a receiving station for such a transmission is simply in the realms of guesswork. What remains of the pineal eye

which was situated on the top of the head in reptilian days and which is becoming modified into a gland, the pineal body in the brain, has been associated with ultra-violet reception. However, your guess is as good as mine.

Reverting to the question of fluorescent tissue, suppose that artificial ultra-violet rays alone are allowed to play upon the body—rays from a mercury-vapour arc lamp. These rays will be absorbed by the body and re-emitted as an aura around it, which is visible to the human eye only if sensitised, but is clearly seen by animals.

Since the ultra-violet rays incident upon the body are invisible, the emitted rays must have had their wave-lengths changed (lengthened) by fluorescent tissue present somewhere in our bodies, since they have become visible. The nervous tissue certainly seems to be responsible for the emission of those far-reaching search-light-like rays. Could they be a possible agent for thought-transmission?

Human tissues, other than the nervous tissue, certainly are to some extent fluorescent, that is, able to render ultra-violet rays visible to certain eyes; for example, the skin, parts of the eye and the blood—the cornea of the eye fluoresces a blue colour with us and other colours in animals, depending on the species. Hard tissue shows up better than soft does, and bits of scurf are particularly fluorescent, which is odd, because dead tissue does not show up at all. White skins fluoresce better than those of coloured people. Golden—and grey—hairs show up better than do dark ones.

Tendons, ligaments and bones fluoresce, provided that strong artificial ultra-violet rays

are used; natural solar ultra-violet "light" is of much too weak intensity to be of practical use for experimental purposes. Muscular tissue shows up but feebly.

These facts apply to animal tissue as well to human. Since our eyes are specially constructed with nerves that stand up to the bright light of day, it seems clear that the night-seeing eyes of animals should seek—and read—the aura more clearly and more easily than ours do. The wave-length of artificial mercury-vapour ultra-violet rays is very much shorter than the rays which appear as an aura around us. These are only just too short for the normal, unsensitized eye to pick up, but are well within the scope of many animals. When you see a pair of eyes peering at you at night in the bush, you can probably guess by their colour to what animal they belong. It is possible that the animal in question sees a great deal more of us, perhaps an informative haze around us.

I have found that most ordinary, healthy eyes can accumulate enough power to see these emanations after using a dicyanin screen for a bit. Younger people acquire sensitivity comparatively quickly, given the right climatic conditions—heights, and the farther from the equator the better.

While this is intended merely as a suggestion where human beings are concerned it seems to me to be perhaps more than a suggestion in relation to animals. Perhaps those who have made a study of telepathy may care to consider those long, search-light rays (which appear to be fluoresced by nervous tissue) as being a possible agent for transmission of thoughts.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### BIRDS OF THE LONDON AREA

SIR,—I was recently interested to discover what a variety of uncommon birds can be seen either in London itself or in its immediate surroundings. In Regents Park I have seen the tree-creeper on many occasions, and more than once a pair of sparrow-hawks have been observed only a few yards from one of the main roads which surround the park. The lesser-spotted woodpecker has also been seen in this neighbourhood. On Barnes Common, right alongside a main bus route, a pair of turtle-doves have recently raised a family, apparently oblivious of the profusion of noisy traffic which is continually passing within a matter of 10 ft. of their nest.

On Banstead Downs, which is only twenty minutes' train journey from Waterloo and a mile or so from Sutton (Surrey), I had the good fortune to see a pair of birds which I think are considered fairly uncommon in most parts of Great Britain, let alone London. These were a cock and hen red-backed shrike. They were both sitting in the top of a hawthorn bush, into which after a short time they both disappeared. I carefully searched the bush, and found their nest, which was surrounded by young dead birds, bumble bees, beetles and a number of young mice, all impaled on near-by thorns.—P. S. FAGG (2/Lt.), R.A.O.C., Wellington, Shropshire.

[The London area is much richer in birds than many people think. We have seen not only sparrow-hawks and turtle-doves, but redstarts, wood-warblers, whitethroats, hawfinches, cuckoos and tree-pipits within six miles of St. Paul's. Within recent years a pair of red-backed shrikes have nested in the neighbourhood of Dulwich.—Ed.]

### A MEETING WITH LIONS

From Lady Sybil Middleton

SIR,—Early in March I visited the Kruger National Park, in South Africa, and was fortunate enough to get the enclosed photograph of ten young lions.

We had gone out in a motor-car just after dawn and on rounding a

corner nearly ran over the lion, who was lying in the middle of the road. He was soon joined by two lionesses and all the young ones; at one time we counted fourteen lions on the road. After about twenty minutes the lion and the lionesses disappeared into the bush, leaving the young ones on the road. Shortly afterwards another car came from the opposite direction and for the next 20 minutes all the young ones lay about or walked between the two cars, until one of the lionesses called them from the bush. I took the photograph as they jumped up, all on the alert, ready to respond to her call.

—SYBIL MIDDLETON, Burley Grange, Burley, Hampshire.

### HEDGEROW TREES AND LANDSCAPE

From the Hon. Lionel Brett

SIR,—Mr. J. D. U. Ward, in his interesting article, *Forestry Problems* published in COUNTRY LIFE on June 9, advocates the elimination of nearly all our hedgerow trees, and describes as sentimentalists those to whom these great trees are the distinguishing feature of our English landscape. As recently as the Middle Ages, he points out, these trees did not exist. No, Sir, and very dreary the mediaeval landscape must have been. To revert to it may, or it may not, be an economic

necessity. Do not let us delude ourselves that it would be anything but a scenic disaster.—LIONEL BRETT, Wallington Park, Oxfordshire.

### THE BATTLING BROTHERS

SIR,—Has any of your readers had experience of cock blackbirds which appear deliberately to adopt the care-free bachelor life?

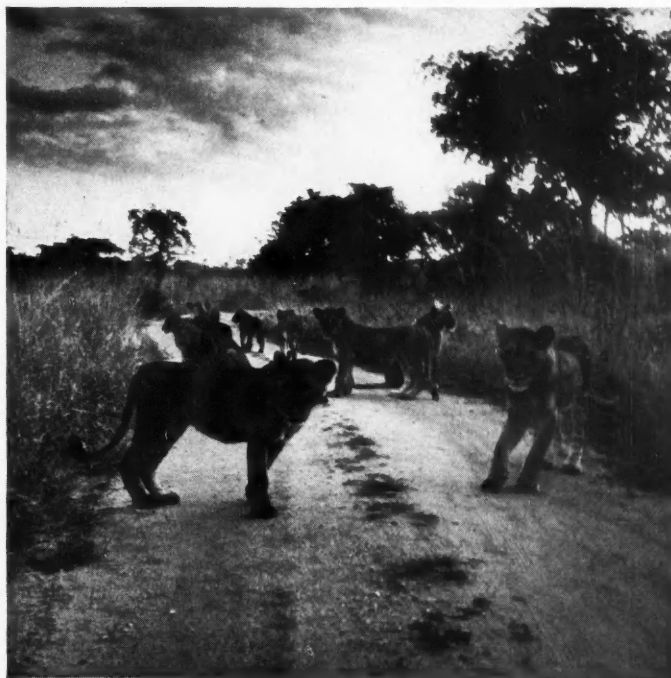
For the past two years a couple of fine-looking cocks have been constantly in and around my garden. My wife and I know them as the Battling Brothers, since, though they are inseparable (seldom being more than a yard or two from one another), they have occasional dust-ups, conducted with a great show of ferocity.

They are easily distinguishable, for they are always together and one has an injured or deformed right wing, which is very obvious, though it in no way lessens his powers of flight—or his perkiness.

Neither of the "brothers" mated last year, or has done so this season. In March and early April a couple of handsome hens tried to vamp them. The four were often on the lawn together, but the brothers remained entirely indifferent, repelling all advances and keeping to their own end of the lawn.

Both sing as often and as loudly as if they were fathers of families. During the day they entertain us from adjacent trees and in the evening from adjacent chimney-pots. Curiously enough, neither the presence of the brothers nor their singing is in any way resented by a third cock (already this season the father of two flourishing families) who owns this garden. Except that he makes them keep their distance when his hen comes for a bath or does a little worm hunting, they all get on very well. The other evening, for instance, all three cocks were sitting for some minutes in a row on the roof-top.

Last year we had also a spinster hen, a real virago who would not allow any cock to come within yards of her. I once saw her tackle a would-be suitor who was too forward for her liking. In a flurry of squawks, pecks



YOUNG LIONS IN THE KRUGER NATIONAL PARK, IN SOUTH AFRICA

See letter: A Meeting with Lions



**A YOUNG ASH TREE BEARING MARKS OF DAMAGE DONE BY HORNETS**

*See letter: Damage to Trees by Hornets*

and flying feathers the two rolled like a ball down a grass bank. At the bottom the hen disentangled herself, looking as trim as ever and even more upish than usual. She stood for some moments watching the cock, who lay on his back with his legs in the air. Then, having seen him creep away, dishevelled and crestfallen, she refreshed herself with a fine, large worm.

She remained aloof during the autumn and winter; but this spring she had a change of heart and is, I believe, the mother of the flourishing families referred to earlier.—R. W. HALLOWS, 70, Cross Oak Road, Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire.

### HOME OF A DEVON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

SIR,—Apropos of the letter in COUNTRY LIFE of June 9 about the old Church House at Colyton, Devon, which for many years was the home of Colyton Grammar School, some of your readers may care to learn more of its interesting history.

When Henry Courtenay, Earl of Devon, was escheated by the Crown, it appears that certain well-to-do inhabitants of the town collected their moneys together and in 1546 acquired certain portions of the manor of Colyton for the benefit of the town. Among the properties so acquired was a messuage called the Church House, which they enlarged and subsequently endowed as a school.

The date 1612 mentioned by your correspondent, which is carved on the gable fronting the road, is not the date of the whole building, but of the subsequent extension of which the gable forms a part. The present Chamber of Feoffees, who still administer the Trust, have in their possession some interesting documents, including the original Deeds of Feoffment, and their subsequent confirmation by Edward VI, Philip and Mary, and Elizabeth. They have also a bill for the enlargement of this house, which incidentally authenticates some headless murals, as it shows that the roof was raised and another storey was added to the building.

What the building was used for before the foundation of the Feoffees school is a matter for conjecture; probably it was another school, as we know that Canon Brerworde built the vicarage in 1529 and got into

trouble for carving over the porch the Tudor Rose of Henry VIII with the pomegranate badge of Catherine of Aragon at a time when the much-married monarch was divorcing yet another wife.—T. C. BRANDRAM, Old Church House, Colyton, Devon.

### DAMAGE TO TREES BY HORNETS

SIR,—Some months ago you published letters about the damage done by hornets to trees, from Norfolk to Essex and possibly elsewhere. I enclose a photograph taken last month in Herefordshire to illustrate similar damage. The girdling of the young ash has more or less healed, and the tree (in the young stage) is growing on, apparently in unimpaired health. But ash, if it is to be of the highest quality, must grow very fast: damage which, to a casual eye, is superficial and negligible might decrease vigour to such an extent that the quality of the timber suffered seriously.

It would be interesting to learn whether more of this subject is known—of any deeper effects of such barking as heals. Though I saw several hornet-barked trees (all ash), none appeared to have been killed, as a correspondent to your issue of December 2, 1949, stated they usually are.—WOODMAN, North Wales.

### CALL FOR HELP

SIR,—Your readers may be interested in the following behaviour of a pied wagtail.

A pair have nested in the ivy on our house for several years and the other morning I found one of the newly hatched birds on the ground and put it back in the nest; the parent birds were quite near, chirping anxiously.

A day or two later I noticed one of the old birds hovering in front of a window. I went into another room, and in a few moments it was hovering outside that window, chirping loudly. Another bird had fallen out of the nest, and as soon as it had been replaced, the birds continued feeding.

Last year a pair of flycatchers used the nest when the wagtails had finished with it, so that the interior space is becoming decidedly restricted. Building permit needed!—DOROTHY V. CHAWNER, Burston, near Stafford.

### BARBER'S SHOP SURVIVAL

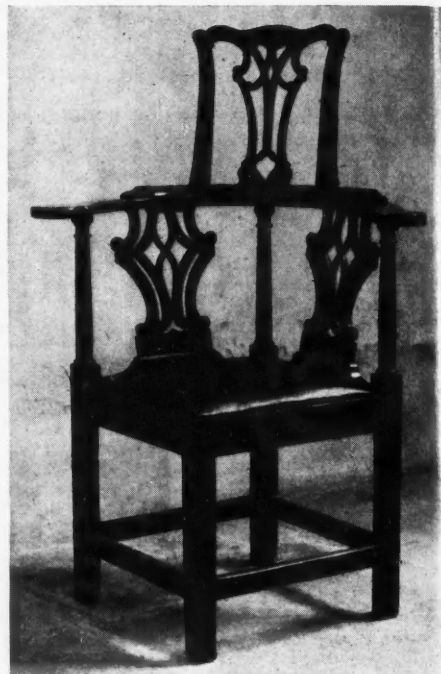
SIR,—Among the many features of interest in the West Dorset church of Whitchurch Canon-icorum is the barber's Chippendale chair, which the vicar has at the usual desk, in the south-west corner of the chancel, and of which I enclose a photograph.

I cannot recall ever before having seen a so-called barber's chair in a church: any 18th-century domestic furniture is naturally liable to catch the eye in a Norman or early Gothic church, but this pleasing and well-proportioned example brought a smile to one who knew its common use.—J. W., Berkshire.

### SAXON POCKET WATCH

SIR,—In July, 1939, a Saxon pocket sundial was unearthed in the course of excavations of the cloister garth at Canterbury Cathedral; it dates from the 10th century, and is some 400 years older than any other English pocket sundial still in existence. By permission of the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury, a copy of this dial has been made for the Science Museum, South Kensington, and is now on exhibition with other portable sundials.

It is in the form of a tablet of silver, with a gold cap and chain for suspension. The gnomon consists of a gold pin surmounted by a chased animal head with jewelled eyes and a ball in the mouth. When not in use, it can be inserted in a hole in the bottom of the tablet. Each face of the dial is divided into three columns, and each column bears the names of a pair of months, with a hole above the names into which the gnomon can be plugged.



**18th-CENTURY BARBER'S CHAIR IN THE VILLAGE CHURCH AT WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM, DORSET**

*See letter: Barber's Shop Survival*

To use the dial, the gnomon is inserted into the hole corresponding to the month in question, the dial is suspended by the chain and turned to face the sun, the position of the shadow of the tip of the gnomon being noted. Two dots are marked in each column: the lower of these corresponds to the position of the shadow at noon, the upper dot corresponding to an intermediate time roughly half-way between noon and sunrise or sunset. It is known that the Saxons divided the daylight period into four tides of roughly equal length, and the positions of the upper dots correspond therefore roughly with the ends of the first and third tides (noon being the end of the second tide).

The Science Museum copy has been made by Leslie Durbin, maker of the Sword of Stalingrad.—T. S. M., London, S.W.7.

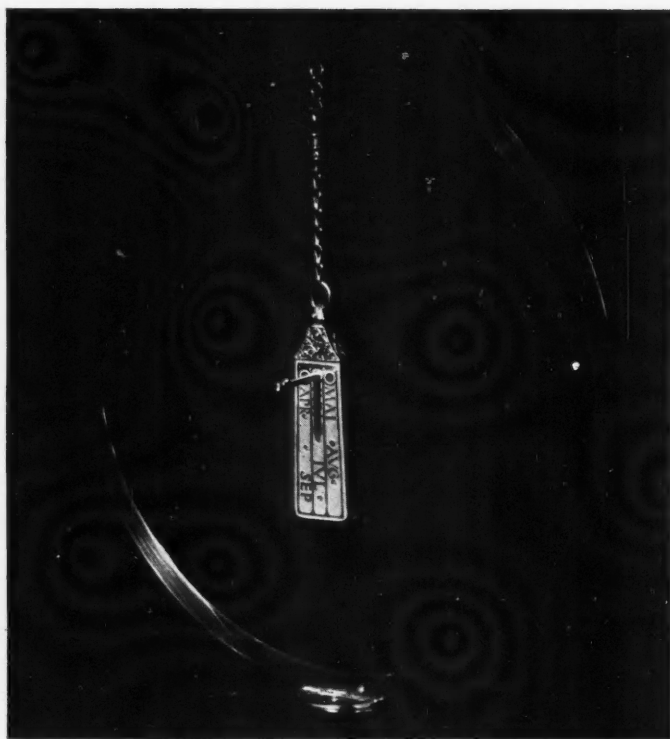
### CARRION CROWS AT A BIRD-TABLE

SIR,—I wonder how many of your readers can claim a carrion crow as a bird-table guest. The other morning, just after dawn, I was disturbed by an unusual noise and had a good view of a pair of carrion crows greedily devouring a large piece of bread impaled on a twig fixed to our bird-table. Compared with our usual visitors—four kinds of titmouse, chaffinches, sparrows and, very occasionally, a nuthatch—they presented a ridiculous sight on the foot-square board fixed to a post which holds our offerings. By breakfast time the table had been cleared of every scrap and the smaller birds were very wary in their approach.—MARY E. WILKEY, Murley Grange, Bishopsteignton, East Devon.

### A RUGBY FOOTBALL INVENTOR

SIR,—Your correspondence about the shape of the Rugby football in Tom Brown's time, which I have seen only recently, prompts me to make known the claim of a native of Rugby to have invented the rubber bladder for footballs. He was Richard Lindon, who for many years carried out his trade of boot and football manufacturer in Laurence Sheriff Street (popularly known as School Street), opposite the main building of Rugby School.

The first mention of these bladders that I find is in 1862, when they



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*See letter: Saxon Pocket Watch*





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were to be seen at the Rugby Working-men's Exhibition, held at the Town Hall, Rugby, during May and June of that year. The *Rugby Advertiser* for May 24, 1862, gives a fuller account than the catalogue, stating:—"Dept. I consists of Articles of Leather. Foremost among these were footballs shown by Mr. W. Gilbert, such as have been immortalised by Tom Brown and Blackwood. Mr. R. Lindon also sent a football and india-rubber bag for inflating the same, invented by himself."

The catalogue, however, says that the articles were a football and india-rubber bag for it, and an air-pump for inflating footballs, all invented by Mr. Lindon. Previously pigs' bladders had been used for the purpose, the balls varying in size to fit them.

A year after his death a Sicilian marble headstone was erected to his memory, bearing the following inscription:—"To the memory of Richard Lindon. This stone was erected by the past and present members of Rugby School as a token of their esteem. Born June 30th, 1816, died June 10th, 1887."—EDWARD REID SMITH, *Hôpital St. Pierre, Salle d'armes, Calais, P. de C., France.*

### A RAT'S HOARD

SIR,—Apropos of Miss E. M. C. Kaye's letter (June 9), an interesting discovery was made two months ago, when workmen stripped down the red-and-plaster wall covering to reveal the old wall timbers in the private bar of the Harbour Inn, at Axmouth, Devon. Buried in the middle of the wall was a hidden hoard of miscellaneous items, undoubtedly assembled by rats.

There were: a rusty penny tin whistle; a painted wooden humming top; two tooth brushes; a pin cushion; three old knives and parts of knife sharpeners; a teaspoon; part of a scissors; a metal shoehorn; two large hand-made nails; parts (unused) of churchwarden pipes; a syringe; a child's ninepin; several bones; several bits of broken bottles; a small book, *The Experiment of Living*, dated 1829, and a light spur complete with strap.

The most interesting item was what I took to be a dirty old horse brass. The more informed opinion of the older inhabitants of the village is, however, that it is an old branding iron. It is circular, with an outer saw edge, and the frame supports the letter H. It is conjectured that it may have belonged to one of the Hallett family, who were Lords of the Manor from 1691 to 1889.

Work on the ceiling disclosed two rats' nests, and in each were bones and parts of broken bottles.—LUDOVIC GRANT, *Axmouth, Devon.*

### AN ARCHITECT'S MODEL

SIR,—Some little while back I purchased, in an old curiosity shop, what I took to be an architect's model of

some country house. I have been unable to identify the house in question, and I wonder whether any of your readers can say which it is. I enclose a photograph of the back and the front.

The model was in a somewhat battered condition, and I should hazard the opinion that the clock-face which appears in the front has been put in at some date subsequent to the construction of the model, perhaps to fill the gap caused by some little plaque or coat-of-arms falling out.—HENRY MAXWELL, 11, *Hereford Square, London, S.W.7.*

[This would appear to be a model for a mid-19th-century town hall or municipal building. It might possibly be a scheme for adapting an older Classical building.—ED.]

### RED SQUIRRELS IN WARWICKSHIRE

SIR,—With reference to the letter in *COUNTRY LIFE* of June 2 about red squirrels, you may be interested to know that a pair frequently visit our garden.

We live in a suburban district on the border of Staffordshire and Warwickshire, and the garden forms part of a small wood. We have had at least one pair of red squirrels visiting



### SILVER BADGE WORN BY THE GRAVE-WATCHERS AT WARBLINGTON, HAMPSHIRE

*See letter: To Prevent Body-snatching*

the garden for several years and, by feeding them on nuts and old bits of cheese, manage to get them fairly tame.

Last year they used to climb up our legs for nuts and even push into our pockets, though they were frightened at any movement.—J. P. BARRYFORD, 31, *Rosemary Hill Road, Little Aston, Warwickshire.*

### DOMESTIC DOVECOTE

SIR,—I enclose a photograph showing pigeon holes that were uncovered during recent repair work on the



### PIGEON-HOLES RECENTLY UNCOVERED ON A 17th-CENTURY GLOUCESTERSHIRE FARM-HOUSE

*See letter: Domestic Dovecote*

wall of a 17th-century farm-house belonging to Mr. E. J. Heaven, Nympsfield, Gloucestershire. The holes curve to the right in the upper row and to the left in the lower.—A. J. ADDISON WALL, *Woodmancote, Dursley, Gloucestershire.*

### MOBBERS AND MOBBED

SIR,—While I was walking on the cliffs at Thurlestone, in Devon, recently, a raven flew by me, croaking, in the direction of Bolt Tail. It was on the warpath, and through my glasses I saw it meet a buzzard, which it mobbed to such a tune that it was forced to make for home. The raven must have seen the buzzard from miles away, as it was a mere speck when I first saw it.

The raven overtook me from the scene of combat and returned to his haunt, which I was able to see from a bare 20 yards away. He looked enormous

and forbidding. One chick was visible.

After a minute or two I frightened the pair off and at once there was bedlam in the air, with hundreds of gulls and jackdaws and the two ravens flying madly round each other, squawking. In the end the raven sat in a most vulnerable position on the cliff top while a herring-gull dive-bombed him backwards and forwards. The gull took runs at him, first one side, then the other, and each time the gull swooped by within millimetres of his head; the raven saved

himself by a last-minute duck.—H. GAIRDNER (Mrs.), *Strathfield, Emsworth, Hampshire.*

### TO PREVENT BODY-SNATCHING

SIR,—In the churchyard of the charming old Saxon church of Warblington, Hampshire, there are two watchers' huts, the purpose of which was the prevention of body-snatching from the graves. These are in the north-west and south-east corners of the churchyard, thus commanding a view of the whole place. Each is about 7 ft. square, and has a fireplace. The church is in an isolated position, and quite near the harbour coast.

A relative of the former rector has a relic in the form of a badge (of which I enclose a sketch) worn by the watchers. This is a silver disc about 2½ ins. in diameter, heavily embossed with oak leaves. I understand that it was worn on the arm with a leather band, in the same manner as that of a special constable.

It was, I believe, about 1835 that the grave watching fell into disuse, but I wonder if any of your readers can tell me the approximate original date of the huts, and whether they exist in other parts.—M. STAFFORD COOKE (Mrs.), *The Old Manor House, Brockhampton, Havant, Hampshire.*

### WILD ANIMALS IN CAPTIVITY

*From Sir Garrard Tyrwhitt-Drake*

SIR,—As one who has owned, kept and personally looked after wild animals, including all the big cats, for 50 years, I read with considerable surprise the following statement by Major C. S. Jarvis in *COUNTRY LIFE* of May 26.

"But there are, on the other hand a great number of others, particularly of the carnivorous varieties which are obviously most



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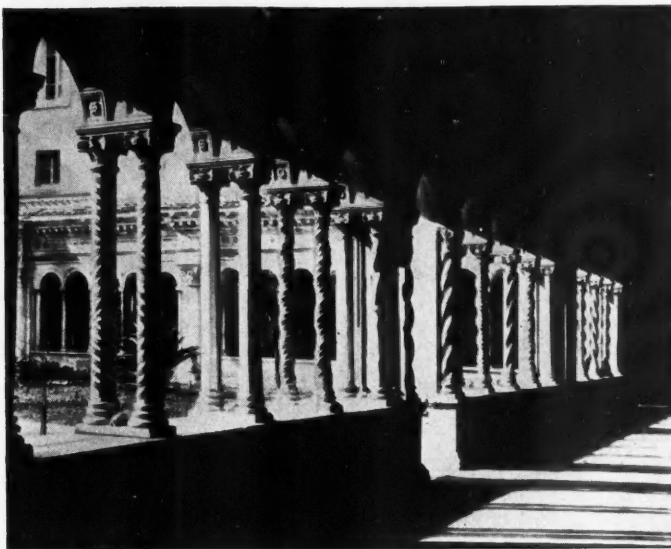


unhappy (through the life they lead in captivity). A tiger, lion or leopard pacing aimlessly up and down its cage is surely a distressing sight—"

I absolutely disagree with this statement, the last sentence of which contains the point on which the theory that it is cruel to keep such wild animals is always based by those who have had no practical experience of the matter.

It should be borne in mind that at least 97 per cent. of the big cats seen in captivity have either been born in captivity or caught as small cubs before they had any idea or experience of "roaming the wide open spaces." Any keeper of animals knows that one of the essentials to good health and condition is exercise: this applies just as much to wild as to tame animals.

Big game hunters have told me—I have never shot big game—that a lion when he has made a kill will eat up to 60 lb. of meat at a sitting, followed by a long sleep, broken only when he again feels the pangs of hunger and the urge to be up and to hunt. My lions, which I am told are in perfect condition, get one meal of meat a day, varying in accordance with the individual—some, like human beings, require much larger rations than others—from 7 to 12 lb. This keeps them sleepy and satisfied for 20 hours out of the 24. At the end of this time approaching hunger tells them, like their wild relations, it is time to be up and again looking for a meal. It is then, and only then, that they pace



THE CLOISTERS AT S. PAOLO FUORI LE MURA, ROME, AND (right) A COAT-OF-ARMS IN THE REFECTORY

See letter: Royal Motto in a Roman Abbey

### THE TRIPLE PLEA

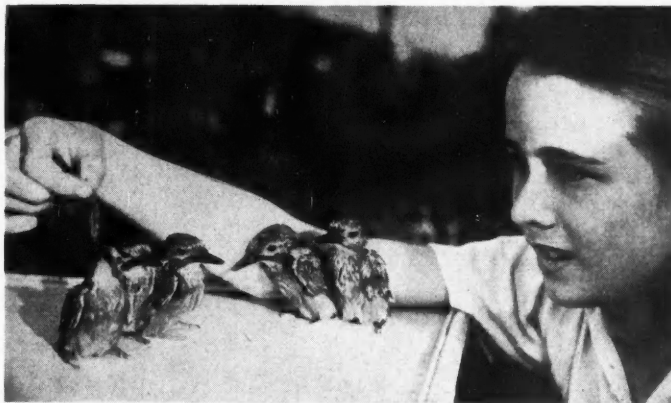
SIR,—You may like to add to your collection of curious inn signs this one of the Triple Plea. I recently came across the photograph, taken some years ago, but am afraid I cannot remember exactly where, except that the inn was near Halesworth, Suffolk. The name, I imagine, derives from the Five Ails, which are given in Brewer's *Dictionary of Phrase and Fable* as: the king, with his motto "I govern all"; the bishop, "I pray for all"; the lawyer, "I plead for all"; the soldier, "I fight for all"; the labourer, "I pay for all." The Suffolk example is a variation of this theme, as it includes a doctor, whose motto is, presumably, "I heal all." The Devil can be seen dimly in the background of the sign.—

CURIUS CROWE, London, S.W.1.

### BRINGING UP YOUNG KINGFISHERS

SIR,—The young kingfishers depicted in the accompanying photograph were discovered in a nest in the bank of the River Kent, in Westmorland. One of the parent birds was lying dead in the entrance to the nest-hole, so the young were removed. They are now being brought up in the home of their discoverer on a diet of minnows, and are thriving on it.—P. W., Kendal, Westmorland.

It is interesting to know that these young kingfishers are thriving,



A BROOD OF KINGFISHERS AT FEEDING TIME IN THE HOME OF THEIR FINDER

See letter: Bringing up Young Kingfishers



THE SIGN OF THE TRIPLE PLEA INN, NEAR HALESWORTH, SUFFOLK

See letter: The Triple Plea

up and down and thereby take the exercise that is essential for their health. I could give my lions 20 to 30 lb. of meat a day, and I guarantee they would, apart from getting up to take it (even if they could not eat it), remain curled up resting and sleeping all day long and do no "pacing up and down," with the result that they would get grossly fat and their health would suffer.

Most visitors to zoos see the animals between 12 noon and feeding time; let them visit from 8 a.m. to 12, or after their meal about 4 o'clock, and they will not see one, to quote Major Jarvis, "with misery in its eyes pacing up and down behind the bars of its cage."—GARRARD TYRWHITT-DRAKE, Cobtree Manor, Maidstone, Kent.

[We forwarded Sir Garrard Tyrwhitt-Drake's letter to Major Jarvis, who replies as follows:—Though, as Sir Garrard Tyrwhitt-Drake states, 97 per cent. of the big cats may have been born in captivity or caught as small cubs, there are a very great number of other animals, such as all the many small cats, dingos, foxes, hyenas, baboons and others to which this statement does not apply, and I find it very difficult to believe that they are happy in cages. Quite a number of shooting and other dogs are kept in kennels, but it is so obvious that the daily walk for exercise outside the bars is the one thing that matters vitally to them and makes life worth living. In my Note I mentioned circuses as well as zoos, and if the performing lions one sees from time to time are really happy I can only say that appearances are deceptive.—ED.]

but had they been left in the nest the remaining parent might well have succeeded in bringing them up single-handed—ED.]

### ROYAL MOTTO IN A ROMAN ABBEY

SIR,—The article, *Royal Arms in Parish Churches* (May 12) sent me out to S. Paolo Fuori le Mura—St. Paul's outside the Walls—at Rome. This great basilica has a strong link with England in a special coat-of-arms. Its story goes back to the early Middle Ages.

During those times the four great European powers took under their protection the four chief basilicas of Rome: Austria, St. Peter's; Spain, St. Mary Major, where the richly gilded roof was the gift of Ferdinand and Isabella; France, St. John Lateran; England, St. Paul's Outside the Walls.

The Sovereign or his representative has the right of being received in full state and of occupying his canon's stall. So, as this law has never been repealed, the King of England is a member of the chapter of the Benedictine abbey of San Paolo and the abbot is a prelate of the Order of the Garter. Therefore the insignia of the Garter is still part of the arms of St. Paul's. The same device with the Royal motto encircling the Garter and the sword of St. Paul, is carved on the panels of the doors of the refectory. It is interesting to see that the Royal crown is that of the Plantagenets.

Two other similar examples rise to my mind: the painted glass quarry in the little old church of Tredington, near Tewkesbury, showing the crowned

head of the murdered King Edward II; and the Royal tombs in the Abbey of Fontevault, near Saumur, where Richard Coeur de Lion lies in state wearing a similar crown.

There is another link between our country and S. Paolo Fuori le Mura; I learn that some seventy years ago an inscription was found in the cloister of St. Paul's—*Magister Petrus fecit opus*, a reference to Peter, a sculptor who worked on the tomb of Edward the Confessor in Westminster Abbey, and the signature is the same in both places: *Civis Romanus*.—DOROTHY HAMILTON DEAN (Mrs.), 35, Caledon Road, Parkstone, Dorset.

### AN OBSCURE ARCHITECT

From Sir Samuel Scott, Bart.

SIR,—In the article on Broughton Hall, Yorkshire, in your issue for March 31, it is suggested that the George Webster, who completed the façade in 1840, may be Alderman George Webster of Kendal, referred to in the *Architectural Publications Society Dictionary* as: Webster of Kendal, the architect of Reid Hall (wherever that is) and of Eshton Hall (near Gargrave, in Craven). There are buildings of Webster's of some merit in Kendal, built between 1825 and 1850, but I have not come across any work of his outside the Kendal district. Can any of your readers throw any further light on George Webster?—S. H. SCOTT, Yew, Windermere, Westmorland.

### LETTERS IN BRIEF

**No Pattens in Church.**—Apropos of the correspondence in your issue of May 19 about pattens, on the porch of St. Margaret Pattens, Eastcheap, E.C., a copy of an old notice about pattens appears as follows:—"Will the Women remove their pattens before entering the church and the men wipe their shoes on the mat."—H. M. MERRIMAN, Rookery Farm, Dedham, Essex.

**Blackbirds as Mimics.**—Apropos of your correspondence about blackbirds as mimics, some years ago at Plumpton, in Sussex, there was a blackbird that imitated perfectly a call constantly sounded by the guards of coaches passing to the races.—ADRIAN PORTER (Lt.-Col.), The Hampshire Club, Winchester.

**A Reader for Over 50 Years.**—I have taken COUNTRY LIFE continuously since the first number. Can any other of your readers equal this?—C. R., Lancashire.

Mr. H. G. Temple, of Warren Farm, Finmere, near Buckingham, asks us to point out that he showed three de-horned Ayrshires at the Bath and West Show.

# THE LARGEST BRITISH DRAGON-FLY

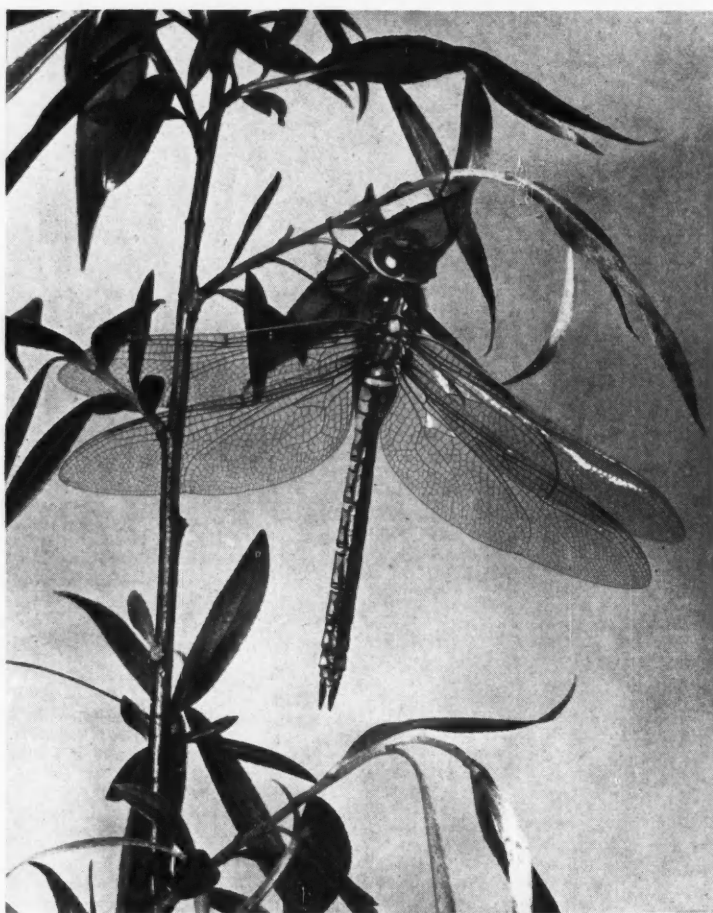
Written and Illustrated by S. and E. M. BEAUFOY

THE superb colours of living dragon-flies, unlike those of butterflies and moths, become faded and drab after death, which probably accounts for their being rarely collected in any number. Far from being a disadvantage, this should rather encourage people to study dragon-flies throughout all stages of their life histories.

The emperor, the largest British dragon-fly, is an excellent species to watch. Its wing expanse is almost four inches and from head to tail it measures three inches. The resplendent male has a blue and black abdomen, making it easy to observe as it hawks rapidly to and fro above ponds and lakes in southern England during June, July and August. The green and brown colouring of the female renders her less conspicuous; she frequents water when ready to lay her eggs, but at other times may be found at considerable distances from it, like many species of dragon-fly.

Having paired with a male in flight, in the unique manner of dragon-flies, the female emperor alights on a water plant, clings to it with her legs, and curves her abdomen round till the ovipositor at its tip is an inch or so below the surface of the water. Then, cutting slits in a leaf or stem with her ovipositor, she inserts her eggs in the crevices so formed.

After two or three weeks they hatch into minute nymphs, somewhat resembling tiny spiders with only six legs. They feed on any living matter in the water that they are large enough to tackle. When one keeps nymphs in an aquarium, this is the hazardous stage in their lives, for it is not always easy to maintain a supply of the extremely small organisms needed for food. Half-grown nymphs, dredged with a net from a pond, present no difficulty, for they will readily devour, and thrive on, a diet of red "bloodworms." Later they will even welcome small earthworms. All food must be alive; they will touch nothing that does not move. The worm is slowly stalked till the nymph is within



A FEMALE EMPEROR, THE LARGEST BRITISH SPECIES OF DRAGON-FLY. About natural size

striking range, when suddenly it shoots out its mask, grips the worm with the toothed claws at the end of it, and draws it into its mouth. The mask is a hinged apparatus, an adaptation of the lower jaw which normally lies folded beneath the lower part of the head and thorax but can be extended instantly at will.

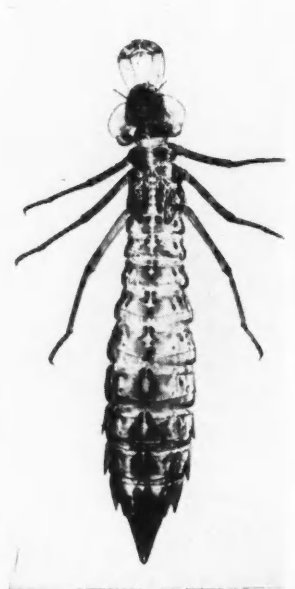
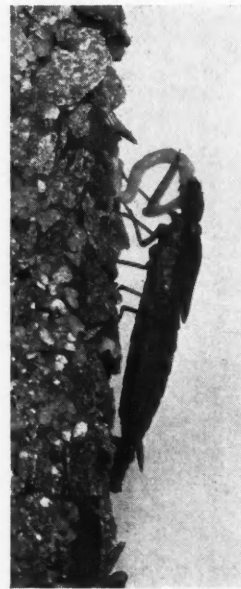
During the nymphal stage (in the emperor this occupies about two years) the creature may shed its skin as many as twelve times. After each moult the new skin can accommodate

a further increase in size by the insect. The cast skin is left floating in the water and is a facsimile of the nymph, perfect and complete in every detail, even to the claws on the feet, the coverings of the eyes, and the tiny antenna. The wing cases become larger after each successive moult and finally extend as far as the middle of the fourth segment of the abdomen.

The emperor dragon-fly belongs to the sub-order *Anisoptera*, of which the nymphs breathe by drawing in water through the end of the abdomen and extracting oxygen from it by means of internal gills. If disturbed they will draw in and expel water rapidly, a process which has the result of propelling them through the water in a series of fast jerks. (Nymphs of the other sub-order *Zygoptera*, popularly called the damselflies, breathe by means of three external gills, flimsy lamellae attached to the end of the abdomen. They lack the jet-propulsion movement of the *Anisoptera*.)

A week or two before the dragon-fly is ready to emerge the nymph takes no more food, but often rests on a stem with its head and thorax just above the surface of the water. It is adapting itself to a different method of breathing from that employed in its under-water stage. Now it begins to breathe, as will the dragon-fly itself, through the spiracles at the sides of its body.

When it is due to emerge, it climbs right out of the water to the top of some support, such as a stick, a stem or a reed. This it grips tightly with its legs. Within a few minutes the thorax swells, the skin splits behind the head and from this opening emerge the head and thorax of the dragon-fly. This is followed by the careful withdrawal of the legs. The next twenty minutes or so constitute a period of rest when the dragon-fly hangs head downwards with only the end of its abdomen still held within the nymphal case. In this apparently precarious position it feebly flexes one leg after the other and later makes



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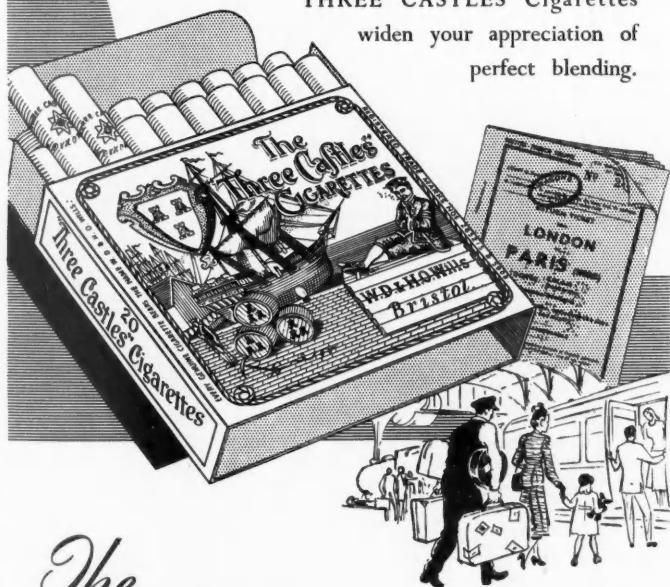
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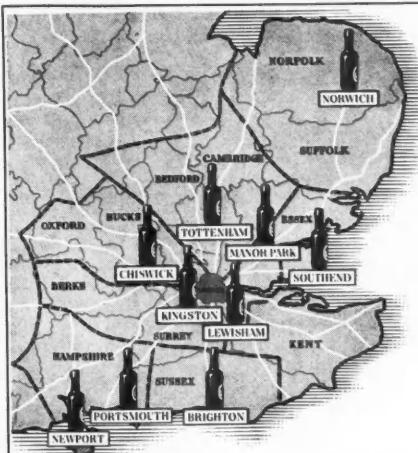


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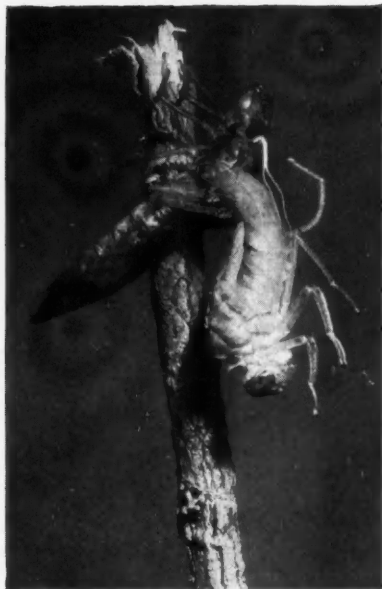
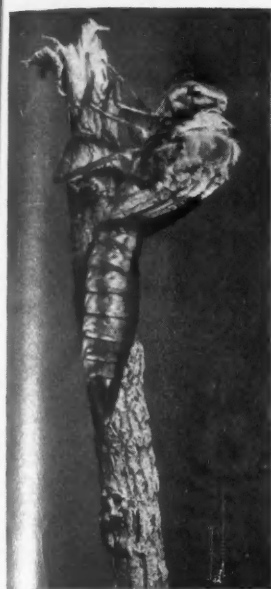
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**EMERGENCE OF THE ADULT DRAGON-FLY.** (From left to right) Head and thorax appearing after the skin has split; the period of rest, in which the dragon-fly hangs head downwards; immediately after righting itself, when its wings are small and limp; with its wings expanded to their full size. All about natural size

small, experimental, swing-like movements to and fro, as if gathering and testing its strength for the next operation, commonly called the recovery, when, with a great heave, it hoists itself upright, grips the old case with its legs and immediately withdraws the end of its abdomen from the case.

Again it hangs, this time head uppermost, while the small, limp and crumpled wings quickly expand to their full size. For an hour or

two they will be held together over its back till they are dry and strong enough for flight. Their milky appearance is due to the presence between the membranes of a fluid which gives a lovely, shimmering effect to them until it is absorbed after a few days. Dragon-flies at rest or on the wing may be recognised as newly emerged specimens if their wings retain any shimmer.

The bodies of most dragon-flies just out of the nymphal case are dull and drab, but that

of the emperor is beautifully marked in shades of pale green and cream. The abdomen at first is thicker than it will be later, and the final colours are not acquired until it has been flying for some few days. If the specimen is a male, its colours, for these first days, resemble those of the fully adult female; thereafter they change to its own, distinctive blue and black. In many species of dragon-fly the immature males display at first the colours of the older females.

## GAME PROBLEMS IN EAST AFRICA

By CLELAND SCOTT

**O**WING to the establishment of National Parks in East Africa, the future of game there is safe enough. From the hunter's point of view, however, the position is not so satisfactory, for a number of reasons. The three East African Territories of Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika are not yet co-operating as much as they should even as regards the number of beasts allowed on a full licence. Furthermore, none of the territories' game departments has enough European wardens. Whatever may be thought in England about the advance of the African, the fact remains that he is still unfit to be trusted with game preservation. The game departments have a financial surplus each year, but this is lost in "general revenue," and they are told that lack of funds prevents the employment of more European rangers.

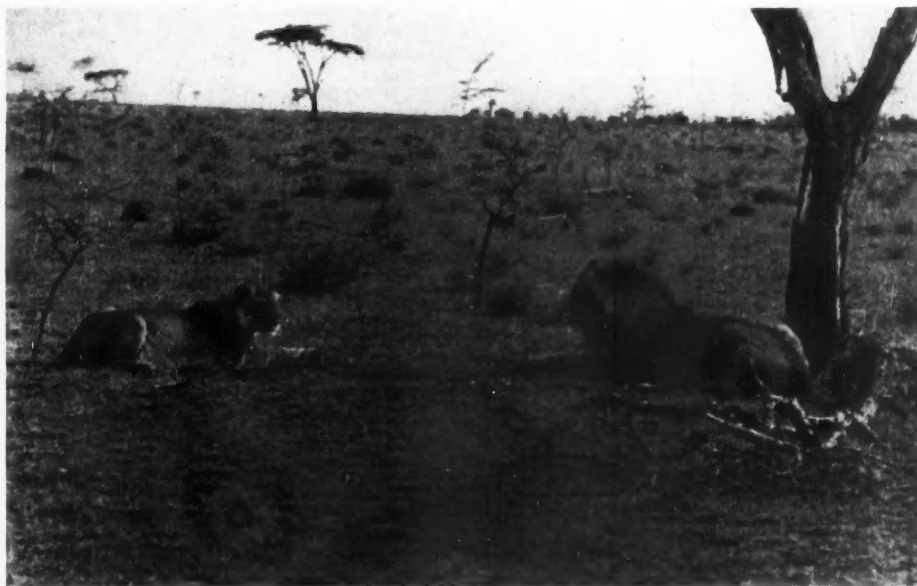
So long as *everyone* is prevented from making money from the destruction of game it is safe enough, but there are plenty of ways in which game can be seriously reduced by the local inhabitant, be he white or black. For instance, elephant licences have been raised to £50 for the first and £100 for the second, and these figures may be considerably raised presently. Why? To try to maintain a permanent supply of really heavy tusks for the dollar-bringing visitor. As far as Kenya is concerned, the African poacher, with his poisoned arrows and unlimited time, is the greatest menace, since the European is so easy to trace. In Tanganyika Africans are allowed to hunt; gangs of ten shoot purely to make as much money as they can, and, as can be imagined, sport does not enter into their calculations. In Uganda Africans can hunt elephant, whereas in Kenya they are not allowed licences.

The lion presents an equally difficult problem, and in Kenya to-day one is allowed only one on a full licence and none on a fortnightly. The area where most of the big-maned lions live is a district known as the Southern Masai, which also holds the greatest number of common-or-garden game. Certain Europeans used to go

down there—whole families each armed with a full licence—and mop up the good lions mainly in order to sell their skins. Not content with reducing the lion population, they also each filled their licences with other game, such as wildebeest, kongoni, and topi. They made these into biltong, and drove home with literally lorry-loads of meat. To-day all African labour gets a meat ration, and these people butchered game purely to save their pockets, as this was far cheaper than buying meat.

The Southern Masai is mainly rolling country of mixed plains and open bush, so that the man who wants to photograph lions also goes there. A kill to these lions is not risky, but an

easy feed which it is safe to dally round. If you go there to hunt lions the warden will ask you not to shoot so and so as he knows him well. Unfortunately such beasts are unlabelled; your genuine sportsman has no desire to shoot a beast that is used to being photographed, since little skill is required. This huge area might with advantage be divided into two, as one river would make an easy boundary, and on one side no shooting of lions be allowed. At present the embargo on shooting lions there has been extended unless a special Governor's Permit has been granted, and permits are difficult to obtain. Lions can be hunted elsewhere, but those in the north, for instance,



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generally have very poor manes. It is not the visitor who seriously reduces game, since he wants only really good trophies and shoots mainly old males. During the war, game, mainly in the settled areas, was decimated to help to feed the huge P.O.W. camps. Game in the North also suffered, mainly from the Army.

Professional hunters have existed in Africa ever since the European first went there. Towards the end of last century and early in this one it was possible to make a living by hunting. Game laws were less strict and one could shoot prodigious quantities and make money by the sale of ivory, skins, and meat. For many years this has been impossible, as it would not pay, owing to the restricted numbers allowed on even full licences. The older men became what is known as white hunters. This peculiar term is a most misused one: on the North American Continent they would be known as guides. The unthinking consider that they are an unnecessary and most expensive luxury; what such people forget is that their job is only a seasonal one. During the '30's a body called the East African Professional Hunters' Association was formed.

spend in Africa. To start with, the visitor does not know Swahili the *lingua franca* of East Africa, and thus is stymied immediately, English-speaking Africans just would not be satisfactory: their English is far too limited to explain so many whys and wherefores, do's and don'ts, and the finer points of hunting. The visitor, from lack of experience, cannot judge a really good head from a poor average one; far less will he be able to estimate the weight of ivory, the "boss" of a buffalo, or whether he is likely to get a lion with a better mane than the one on view. Further, few Africans have the authority to run a *safari* smoothly; it must not be forgotten that the visitor is doing the hunt for pleasure, not merely as a job of work.

Plenty of gun-bearers are excellent hunters and have plenty of courage, a number having saved the lives of their masters, but they cannot estimate accurately when risks are worth while and when they are merely foolish. When they find their favourite piece of country occupied, they are apt to be flummoxed. Time means nothing to an African, and they may then either stay too long in one place, or rush about

you have lost your elephant and your £50 has gone, quite apart from the humane angle. For once money does not rule, since no one is allowed more than two elephants a year. If the white hunter is not allowed to shoot, and the client merely "hits" his beast, much trouble is bound to ensue. Dangerous game become doubly dangerous, once they are wounded. Following wounded game in dense bush is hazardous enough at any time, but if the client insists on coming too the job of the white hunter is fifty times more difficult. None of us is infallible, and at times one just has to hop about like a scalded cat. This is comparatively simple on one's own, but when one has someone else with one, one cannot concentrate entirely on one's game.

Other visitors are rather aged, and would, but for their white hunter, shoot their game from a car, some from laziness, others from a desire for safety. A number would overshoot their licences simply because that is their nature; others insist on the maximum number of beasts allowed, although they do not want the trophies, mainly because they want their money's worth. Some can be talked out of this attitude, others



WILDEBEEST, WHICH, LIKE MANY OTHER FORMS OF GAME IN KENYA, HAVE AT TIMES BEEN SERIOUSLY OVER-SHOT

It always was, and still is, difficult to join. First one becomes a probationary member, after being proposed and backed by older members. Provided one does not do anything outrageous, one then becomes a full member. If one transgresses in any way, however, one is liable to be expelled.

Kenya always has been an Alice in Blunderland country, and it still runs true to form in that this association has no official backing. There is nothing to prevent anyone setting up as a white hunter provided he has never been convicted of breaking any game law. He must naturally have the capital to outfit a *safari*; or he can be employed by any firm doing such business. It may be asked, why not license hunters like surveyors or any other profession? It appears that the Government does not know how to set about doing so. No civil servant in an office can possibly tell how well or how badly Dick, Tom or Harry hunts, how safe he is, or how his clients get their game. Nevertheless ways and means will undoubtedly soon be found to license not only hunters but also guides in national parks. So far no visitor accompanied by any member of the association has been injured, yet plenty of members have been mauled and gored, and a number killed, so it seems that white hunters have their uses.

What does the white hunter do for his money? Quite a lot one way and another—for the client, and for the preservation of game. The main reason why visitors need a white hunter is the limited time they are prepared to

like startled hares, so that far too much time is spent in travelling.

The present and the rising generation of Europeans do not seem to want to kill game. They put up perfectly logical arguments as to its being pointless to adorn walls with stuffed heads, rather than amass a collection of really good photographs. Fair enough; the urge to hunt dangerous game is born; if you have not got it by instinct it cannot be put there.

Consequently most present-day visitors who want trophies are men of middle or over middle age. So many of them have had neither the time, nor the money, to do much hunting, and thus are very green, and without some experienced hunter with them could get themselves, and as a result others coming after, into serious difficulties. Some people come to Africa in order to return with a mass of trophies and care little how these are obtained. Presumably they get their satisfaction on their return by showing their trophies to all and sundry with graphic descriptions of the hardships and dangers (*sic*) gone through in obtaining them; as well, of course, as from having a pair of tusks that beat Old So-and-So's.

I have heard it asked what pleasure a client can get if his hunter fires immediately after him. If the client has done much hunting or is a good shot, he probably tells his hunter he is to shoot only if they are charged. This question of the white hunter shooting is very debatable. He is responsible for his client's life, and, if an elephant is wounded and gets away

cannot. In Tanganyika to-day a full licence entitles the holder to four lions against Kenya's one. How persuade the visitor that one or perhaps two are enough? Maybe the lion is the climax of the whole trip. The visitor is fully entitled to his four, so that one needs to be very persuasive to save two lions. If each visitor took his four, in a few years' time good lions in Tanganyika would be as scarce as they are in Kenya to-day.

Luck enters into all hunting, and most safaris have their marvellous and damnable periods. Most visitors are very slow, which often makes the difference between a shot at a beast totally unaware of danger, or one already on the *qui vive*. Picking up game in bush quickly comes only from constant practice. The white hunter needs to be something of a psychologist and he should never forget that his client is spending a lot of money and doing it all for pleasure. He needs to be started gently, since a tired man cannot shoot well.

A safari is not a cheap amusement, but it can be perfectly comfortable. One can either drive oneself to the limit or take things easily, provided one is not in a hurry. Even for photography, going on safari is totally different from working in National Parks, and it gives a very different impression as to what life in Africa can be. In a Park some other car may disturb some beast that has, at last, got into the position that you want. Rest-houses and hotels, moreover, suit some natures, while to others a camp in the wilds is far nicer.

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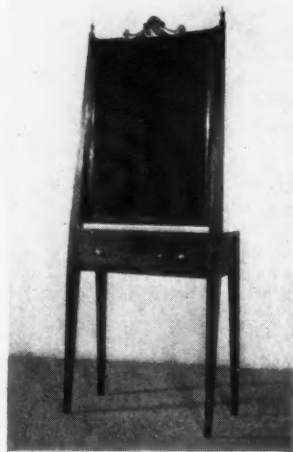
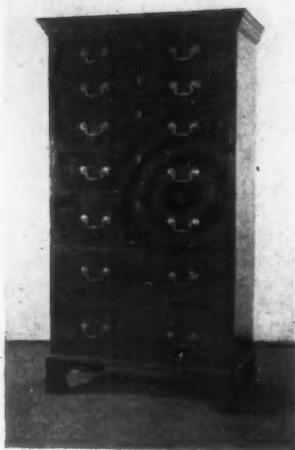
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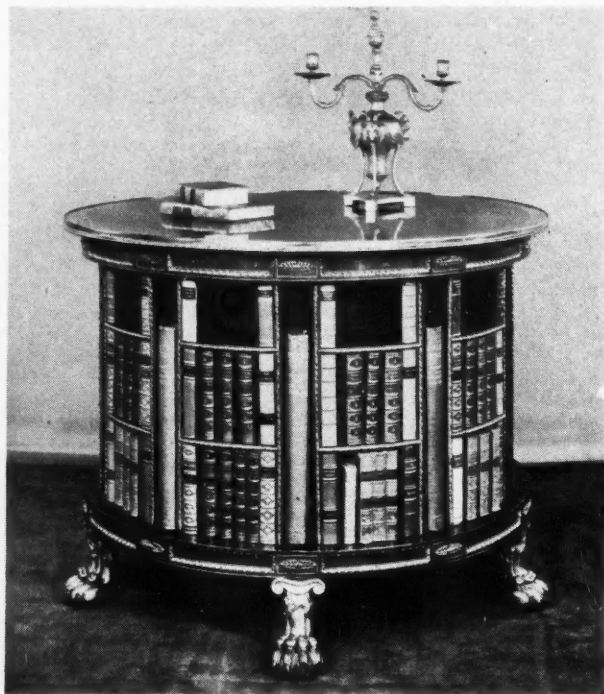
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# FROM BLUE LEAD TO WHITE LEAD

By ROTH MARY CLAY

THE recent discovery of a landscape in water-colour depicting old windmills at Islington throws an interesting light upon a two-thousand-year-old industry.

Lead mining and the manufacture of the compound *cerussa* and white lead date from Classical times. The substance, once used in Assyria, was re-discovered at Smyrna and was worked in Rhodes. Greeks and Romans valued it as a pigment for painting ships, also in medicine as an ointment, and as a cosmetic.

The elder Pliny (*Natural History*, book XXXIV) describes it thus:

Psimithium, or ceruse, is another product of leadworks, the best quality being made in Rhodes. It is prepared by placing very thin lead shavings over a vessel of the sourest vinegar, which distils

by excessive whiteness that they look like idols." With a vivid remembrance, Jerome alludes to the wet furrow left on the skin if, perchance, a careless tear should escape. Again, long afterwards, he writes to Principia that Gentile widows, decked with jewels and reeking of musk, "are wont to paint their faces with rouge and white lead." (*cerussa*.)

Dean Swift—a churchman of a very different type—gave us these lines:

*White lead was sent us to repair  
A lady's face and China ware.*

When lead mines were developing in England in the 17th century, no doubt the promoting companies dealt also with by-products. Dr. Rastrick mentions the existence of a white lead factory before 1752 at Limehouse, Stepney, Middlesex; it was worked by

teams of horses. Probably it is his drawing offered for sale at Christie's in 1791: "a mill with figures, a fine subject for engraving." In the foreground are timber main pipes of the New River scheme—a circumstance which led the Metropolitan Water Board to identify the place as Islington, where water was tapped for Hoxton.

One of the two tower-mills was noted by John Nichols, the antiquary, in his account of Canonbury House, published in 1788:

A curious Windmill for the purpose of grinding Lead, differing in two remarkable particulars from common windmills, viz. 1st that the brick-tower of it is crowned with a great wooden cap or top to which are affixed, on one side, the Flyers (sails), and on the opposite side, a Gallery whereby



1.—THE WHITE LEAD MANUFACTORY AT ISLINGTON FIELDS, BY IBBETSON. ABOUT 1789

on to, and drops down from, the lead. The portion of the latter which falls into the vinegar is dried, powdered, and sifted. It is then moistened again with vinegar, made into tablets, and dried in the summer sun. Another method of manufacture is to leave pieces of lead sealed up for ten days in pitchers of vinegar, then to scrape off what we may term the decayed metal, and to put the lead back until it is completely consumed. The material which is scraped off is ground and sifted.

It is from an anchorite-scholar dwelling in a cave at Bethlehem (A.D. 384) that one gets a side-light as to the early use of white lead in Europe as a cosmetic. A celebrated Father of the Church, Saint Jerome, writing to his friend, the noble lady Marcella of Rome, discusses the frivolous opulent society of pagan Rome. "Those women rather should offend a Christian's eyes, who paint their cheeks with rouge and their eyes with belladonna; whose faces are covered with powder and so disfigured

the London Lead Company, and even made its own vinegar (*Newcomen Society Transactions* XIV, 143). The owners worked mines in Teesdale. Another important production area was Tyneside.

In London, too, industry was advancing towards rural districts, such as Islington, hitherto known for its dairy-farms, cornfields, springs and conduits. On rising ground north of the city, conspicuous landmarks arose—the pumping-tower of the New River Company, and the tall twin tower-mills of the White Lead Manufactory, situated near "the ancient foot-path to London" on the boundary of Islington and Shoreditch.

My first illustration must serve to bridge the gap between Pliny, Jerome, and Julius Caesar Ibbetson. When this artist was on his rambles from Kilburn, he made the water-colour drawing, which came to light too late for publication in my book on this painter (*COUNTRY LIFE*, 1948). The unnamed landscape has excellent figures, with a cart and

the whole top is turned round at pleasure, so as to bring the flyers into that direction which is most convenient with respect to the wind; and 2nd, that instead of four, the usual number of flyers, this was furnished with five (*Bibliographica Topographica*, xlix, page 9, note).

A description of the process is given by Richard Watson, lecturer in chemistry at Cambridge, at the time when Nichols wrote the above account:

White Lead, or ceruse, is lead corroded by vinegar. Thin plates of lead are rolled up in a spiral form, and placed in earthen pots containing vinegar; these pots being ranged on proper stages, and their mouths being covered in such a manner as to permit the vapour of the vinegar to escape... A quantity of horse-dung is thrown in amongst them; by the heat of which, as it grows putrid, the vinegar is raised in vapour, and this vapour attaching itself to both sides of every spiral of the

lead, which is so placed as to touch the vinegar, it corrodes the lead into white scales, which being beat off from the plates, washed and ground in a mill, constitutes the white lead of the shops.

No fewer than seventy women were employed here at one time, and Nelson, whose *History of Islington* is dated 1811, records that women stood the injurious effects of lead carbonate better than men. Some were called blue lead women, as the ore was at first in its blue or metallic state. Women carried on their heads baskets of metal, ladled molten lead into frames, placed the spiral coils in jars, and stacked them. They even trampled stable litter or tanyard refuse preparatory to the controlled corrosion process. By them the white lead was gathered up, ground, washed, dusted and packed.

Poisoning risks in the white lead industry in the last century were so real, indeed, that it became a prohibited occupation for women. The introduction of improved methods of manufacture under hygienic conditions have made this risk very small, as is proved by modern statistics. Whereas there were 377 reported cases in 1900, there were only three by 1930, and two in 1948.

Some idea of the extensive lay-out in Islington Fields in 1824 can be seen in Fig. 2. This water-colour by an unknown hand is preserved at the Ministry of Works (Mayson-Beeton Collection).

We learn from descriptions of other factories that the stack-chambers were 25 feet long, 15 to 20 feet wide, and 25 to 30 feet high. One chamber might contain no fewer than 12,000 pots, piled up in ten layers. This represented some 50 to 60 tons of lead. As the stacks were in different stages of development, and as the process took three to four months, a considerable acreage was required. The long rows of brick buildings seen in Fig. 2 are also shown in the background of Fig. 1. There were brickfields adjacent, the soil of Islington being suitable for this industry.

As wind-power was used elsewhere for pressing oil from linseed, it is possible that the mills not only ground lead but enabled the firm to make its own linseed oil, for the paint mixture. The small object and horse in the middle of Fig. 2 may indicate a vat for this mixing, possibly with a mechanical stirrer worked by horse-power. Seen on the right is some contrivance for weighing. The foreground, however, may depict brick and pot works, kiln, etc. The white lead factory, its long stack-chambers and grinding mill, are seen on rising ground behind.

Another view of the factory (Fig. 3) is reproduced from a charming water-colour



2.—A WATER-COLOUR, BY AN ANONYMOUS ARTIST, SHOWING THE EXTENSIVE LAY-OUT OF THE ISLINGTON FIELDS FACTORY IN 1824

drawing in the possession of Mr. Rex Wailes, author of *Windmills in England* (1948). The original artist is unknown, but the drawing was to be etched later by Jane Smith (1822). The surprising foreground is the pleasure-pond of the new Rosemary Branch public-house which was situated at a short distance from the buildings seen in Fig. 1. According to this sketch, the tall slender clock-tower—which still dominates the factory buildings—seems dwarfed by the windmills. Crude drawings by Matthews (1836) show the site with tower-mills shorn of sails. His two chimneys indicate that grinding has now passed under steam-power, as noted by a contemporary topographer. The base of one windmill was used as a store-room until 1945, but since the upheaval caused by a V2 bomb, and on account of subsequent reconstruction, only the circular foundation is exposed to view.

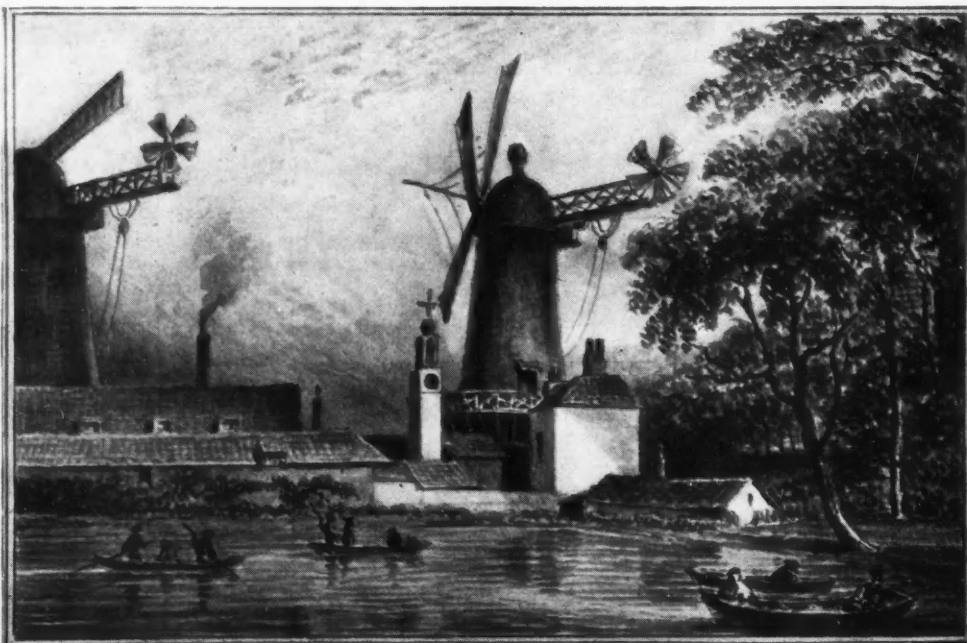
Champion, Druce & Co.,—the white lead corrodors and paint manufacturers in Southgate Road, N.—claim to have been established over 180 years. Their founder was the notable Yorkshire ironmaster, Samuel Walker. Seven children had been left penniless orphans,

Samuel being then twelve years old, and almost without education. "Industry and talent soon qualified him for keeping a school." The three brothers then started a small foundry at Masbrough, Rotherham. In 1778, Walker, with Richard Fishwick, of Hull, set up the white lead works at Newcastle-upon-Tyne; this firm still operates in Associated Lead Manufacturers. The daughter establishment at Islington was founded in 1785 as Walkers and Ward, later to become Champion and Fishwick, and now Champion, Druce and Co., Ltd.

During an interesting visit to the works I could observe the blending of ancient and modern. Near the entrance was a huge mound of tan, recalling that progressive Richard Fishwick who introduced tan-bark into the process. A workman plunges his fork into the pile, raising steam too hot to permit approach. A pyramid of pots stands nearby. These two facts are a reminder that in some old-established manufactories, carbonic acid gas is still obtained from the fermentation of spent tan. As of old, there is a chain of "becks", or settling tanks of white lead. The "trommel" breaks up and separates blue lead from white, but its revolving cylindrical sieves are fully mechanised. An intricate process, it is simplified by electric power applied to ball-mills, elevators, etc. A vat full of white lead water and linseed oil eliminates the water, turning out a pulp of white lead and oil, mixed ready for storage in barrels. The acetic acid is no longer in the form of vinegar. Scientific tests are constantly applied in the laboratory.

It is reported by Dr. C. W. Price, the white lead expert, that "white lead is now made by hygienic chemical processes in which the pigs of lead are fed in at one end of the factory and white lead produced at the other—entirely untouched by hand. Fundamentally, the chemical process in the change from blue lead to white lead is just the same as it ever was."

The transformation of dull metal into an impalpable powder of snowy whiteness was summed up a century ago as "this beautiful and remarkable process"—an apt description of the latest scientific method. White lead finally reaches the home for domestic purposes; and may incidentally delight one's eyes when it has contributed to the texture and quality of some fine picture: indeed, the canvas itself is now often treated (sealed) with white lead. Since colour is one of the joys of life, should one not also praise the research chemist, the mechanical engineer and the labourer who perfect the manufacture of paint?



3.—A VIEW OF THE WHITE LEAD MILLS FROM THE PLEASURE-POND OF THE ROSEMARY BRANCH PUBLIC-HOUSE. From a water-colour by an unknown artist





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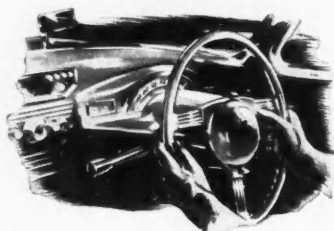
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THE 2½ LITRE LAGONDA By J. EASON GIBSON

SINCE the construction of the prototype, the 2½ litre Lagonda, a car of most original design, has been for over three years undergoing development, which has brought it to a state closely approaching perfection. As it has been developed alongside the latest Aston-Martin (both cars are members of the David Brown Group) it has been possible for certain of the lessons learnt with the Aston-Martin in the hard school of racing to be applied beneficially to the Lagonda as well.

At the time when the engine design was decided upon all cars carried a tax based on engine size, and accordingly it was decided to use an engine of moderate dimensions, but with an adequate performance as well. The engine is therefore a six-cylinder of only 2½ litres capacity, but to provide ample power it is fitted with double overhead camshafts and has a combustion space of excellent shape. To allow the available performance to be used continuously with reliability the crankcase is of great stiffness, and the details of the lubrication system have been laid out with special care.

are available on the Lagonda, and for my tests the coupé was selected. Unlike that of the average car to-day, the body is not of pressed steel, but is coachbuilt; it is, in fact, manufactured in the same factory as the chassis, with the beneficial result that any problem of fabrication common to both chassis and body-work can be more easily and efficiently dealt with. No effort has been made in designing the body to cut down the frontal area in the interest of extreme performance; instead, the chief object has been to provide really adequate room, including head and leg room, for the full passenger load. The upholstery, although soft and luxurious, has not been made too flabby, and the actual contours of the seats and squabs in both front and rear compartments are such that the most comfortable and efficient seating position can be maintained for very long distances, without any tendency for back-ache.

With the car closed one has the full comfort of a saloon model; with it opened (the opening operation can be carried out 'single-handed' in under two minutes) a perfect open

character of the car changes completely and, if one forgets theoretical considerations for a moment, it is equally happy at any speed between 50 and 85 m.p.h. Only at maximum speed does one get any impression that the engine is having to work at all. The relatively small engine used, in view of the size and luxury provided, is more than justified by the beneficial effect it has on economy; throughout my tests the car averaged just under 20 m.p.g.

Apart from the great silence of the engine throughout the speed range, the actual smoothness of operation, although perhaps noticeable only to the driver, more than justifies the effort spent on development. The use of all-round independent suspension has also been completely justified, as in my experience there is no other car which offers such comfort in the rear seats over really bad road surfaces, and—what is of vital importance—this comfort has not been obtained at the expense of stability or accuracy of handling. Although a relatively high and heavy car, it could be driven through corners, either short radius ones or long fast ones, with a minimum of roll and no necessity for special skill on the part of the driver. The excellence of the car's cornering capabilities does, however, reveal a point of criticism; no arm rests are provided to prevent the front-seat passenger from being upset by fast cornering.

A drop-head coupé body is the ideal type for long-distance Continental touring, for which purpose also the effortless high-speed capabilities of the car suit it admirably. For the same kind of motoring the employment of a fuel tank with a capacity of 19 gallons is most sensible, and even if the car is driven very fast it should provide a range in excess of 350 miles between fill-ups. The manufacturers have deliberately chosen a type of brake drum and lining which, in combination, are intended to prevent brake fade, but this carries with it the disadvantage that pedal pressure rather higher than usual is required to obtain maximum braking effort. The gearbox itself works well, and the lower gears were silent, but I experienced some trouble with the steering-column-mounted gear lever: there was an excessive amount of play in the linkages, and this now and then prevented proper engagement of the desired gear.

Wind noise was completely unnoticeable, and even with the ventilating panels on the front doors open, or the windows partially lowered, the level of noise was still low. Conversation could be carried on in a normal tone with the windows partially opened and at a speed between 80 and 85 m.p.h. The Lagonda's ability to combine high-speed effortless cruising in comfort over the worst surfaces makes it a very good choice as a long-distance touring car.



THE LAGONDA 2½ LITRE DROP-HEAD COUPÉ. The typically English lines and the exceptionally high-backed front seats are worthy of note

All parts of the engine are readily accessible, although the high semi-helmet-type front mudguards are a slight obstruction.

What is most unusual about the Lagonda is that independent suspension is used on all four wheels, and in a most effective manner. Any driver who has had experience of cars employing independent suspension all round will have enjoyed the high level of comfort provided over the worst surfaces, but on most cars with this suspension there has been some instability in cornering, owing to excessive roll on the rear springs. The elimination of this drawback has been the pre-occupation of the Lagonda engineers during the development period. To enable such a suspension system to give of its best it is essential that the frame shall be exceptionally rigid, and to this end the Lagonda employs a true cruciform framework, which carries, on a sub-frame, the differential assembly, on the sides of which are fitted the rear brakes, thus reducing the unsprung weight round the rear wheels considerably, and so automatically improving the suspension at the rear. Lockheed hydraulic brakes are used, of the type employing two leading shoes on the front wheels which give efficient braking with reduction in the pedal pressure required. The steering gear is of rack-and-pinion type, which gives more accurate and delicate steering than is possible with any other system. A divided propeller shaft is used, in conjunction with a hypoid bevel rear axle, with the result that the usual inconvenient transmission tunnel has been eliminated.

Both a full saloon and a drop-head coupé

touring car. The internal finish is of a very high standard indeed, both the leatherwork and the wood trimmings are in perfect taste. One rather serious omission is the lack of adequate compartments for the inevitable impedimenta of travel on long trips; the two cubby-holes on the dashboard are so small that one's normal guide book cannot be carried. The front seats, which can be set to form a bench-type seat, are adjustable for leg length, rake, and height. A steering-column-mounted gear lever is fitted, and the hand-brake lever—rather awkwardly placed in front of the right leg—is mounted below the dashboard. Owing to the very low mounting of the spare wheel, beneath the luggage boot, there is ample accommodation for luggage. As the rear seat is about five inches higher than the front seats, the rear passengers are given an undisturbed view forward. Naturally, with the hood erected, their round view is rather restricted.

The particular car on which my tests, extending to over 600 miles, were carried out was the overworked factory demonstration model, with a total mileage to its credit before I took over of about 13,000 miles, so that the figures I obtained and the performance in general can be accepted as typical of any example of this car in the hands of the normal private owner. Although over 100 brake-horse power is available at maximum engine speed, the smallness of the engine in relation to the total car weight of 29 cwt. does mean that the acceleration at low speeds on top gear is not outstanding. Once, however, the open road is reached, or a change to third gear effected, the

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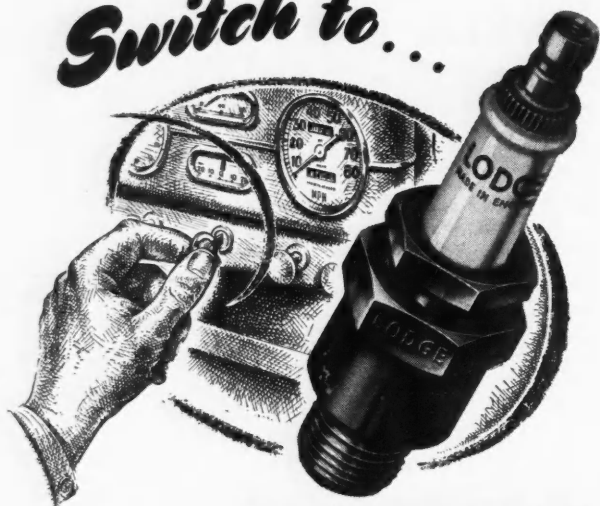
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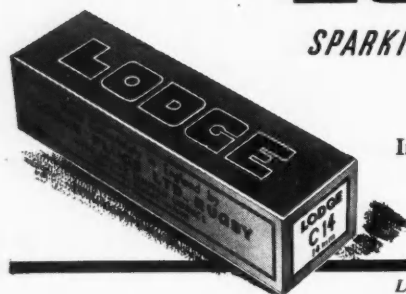
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## FARMING NOTES

## HAY IN JUNE SUN

**H**OT sun in June can spoil as much hay as a rainy spell. My neighbour cut his lucerne mixture on Saturday and put it into rick on Monday. We shall see how it settles in the rick. However dry the herbage may feel as it lies in the swathe the nature is liable to return if the drying has been done in quick time by hot sun. The temptation to press ahead is strong but, by heating, hay loses much of its virtue and it is quality not bulk that we want for the cows. If the glass is steady, an extra day or two in the field for thorough curing is the better risk. Best of all is the northern practice of putting the hay into cocks, which allow gentle curing and which save the hay from spoiling if rain does come. In the south the baler has come into general use for picking the hay up after the swathe-turner and compressing it into convenient blocks for winter feeding. For this process the hay needs to be almost as thoroughly cured as for rick in the old way. The bales should be left to stand on end for three or four days at least before building them into a rick. Otherwise there will be heating and good stuff will grow mouldy. With patience and judgment, as well as sun, hay-making can be mechanised without spoiling the product, but a true reckoning would often show, I fancy, that we save man-hours nowadays and lose feeding quality. With cattle cake at £30 a ton well-made hay has an enhanced value. It will not be over-valued next winter at £15 a ton.

## Charlock and Poppies

**A**CORNFIELD, half of which showed bright yellow with charlock and the other half plain green, made me stop my car. Half the field had been sown to dredge corn, that is oats, barley and peas, and the other half was sown to spring wheat. The wheat had been sprayed with a selective weed-killer to destroy the charlock and free the crop from competition. The first half had been left, as the spray would have injured if not destroyed the peas as well as the charlock. Another field not far away was spattered with red poppies, gay to see, but susceptible like the charlock to the new weed-killers. I have tried the special compound that twists the docks in corn and it does its job better than I expected. The docks will not die after one treatment, but a second dose will, I think, ensure that they do not seed this season. The oats have taken no harm. This new technique replaces the weeding of corn by hand, which may still be good husbandry but at present wages is hopelessly uneconomic. To some extent spraying replaces the summer fallow, but I have yet to hear of the weed-killer that is sufficiently selective in action to distinguish between a cereal crop and couch grass. Baking in the June sun is still the best treatment for couch.

## Learning from Canada

**A** GENEROUS gesture by the Canadian Minister of Agriculture makes possible a visit to the Dominion this summer which will enable some of our leading agricultural scientists to see the work of Canada's agricultural institutes. Sir William Ogg, Director of Rothamsted Experimental Station, will lead the party and there could be no better representative of British agricultural science. The other members will be Mr. J. H. Anderson, who directs the N.A.A.S. in the eastern counties of England, Dr. D. P. Cuthbertson, the director of the Rowett Research Institute, Aberdeen, where much valuable nutritional investigation has been done, Professor W. Ellison, of the University College of

Wales, Aberystwyth, who has taken a leading part in land reclamation, Professor E. McEwen, Professor of Agricultural Engineering, King's College, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and Mr. W. H. Senior, of the Department of Agriculture for Scotland. The party will find that in Canada the agricultural colleges are the focal points for research and also for the field service provided for farmers. Scotland has retained this system, whereas England and Wales now have a direct government service in the N.A.A.S. Sir William Ogg and his colleagues should be able to gauge the difference in atmosphere which is engendered. Farmers in England and Wales are becoming chary of using the advisory service because it is tied directly to the Ministry of Agriculture.

## West Country Incomes

**A** REPORT prepared by Mr. S. T. Morris and Mr. H. W. B. Luxton, of the University of Bristol, shows that farmers in Cornwall, Devon and Dorset had a considerably better financial year in 1948-49 than in the previous year. Over the 200 farms from which results are analysed in *An Economic and Financial Survey of Farming in the South-West of England*, price 2s. 6d., output measured in monetary terms increased by 28 per cent. Expenses also rose, the average being 12 per cent. Probably the largest proportion of the increase resulted from the higher prices, but 1948 was an exceptionally favourable year. Milk yields were well above those of the previous year. Potato yields were practically an all-time record, while other crops did well and grass was abundant. The economists note that the gap between milk and livestock prices has narrowed and they say "there might have been a tendency for some of the larger farms to put less emphasis on milk, but milk and poultry provide a much quicker turnover and for this reason they are the most suitable enterprises for the smaller farms." Should the price of milk tend to fall relatively to livestock prices milk production will, they consider, still be the best enterprise for small and medium-sized farms for quite an appreciable time because of the faster capital turnover in milk production. Even where the average standard of milk production is low this is still more remunerative than livestock rearing. These views are shared by most farmers and while it is in the national interest to check a further increase in milk production and obtain a swing over to beef and mutton the response from the majority of farmers is not likely to be great yet.

## State Farming

**I**T is a wonderful world when planners get busy in farming. The Hungarian Government have approved a two-year plan for improving the efficiency of crop growing. The 1949 average yield of wheat is to be increased by 35 per cent. on State farms by 1951, by 25 per cent. on co-operative farms and by 10 per cent. on individual farms. To this end detailed instructions have been issued on cultivation. The State farms have been set a stiff task. Stubble must be removed within ten days of the harvesting of grain or fodder crops. Autumn deep ploughing must be completed by December 10 each year. It must be done by tractors and to a depth of 25 cm. The Ministry of Agriculture is to specify the areas where spring ploughing only will be carried out because the soil is unsuitable for autumn ploughing. An approved rotation of crops is to be introduced on these State farms. Prizes and awards are to be given if the stipulated average yields are passed.

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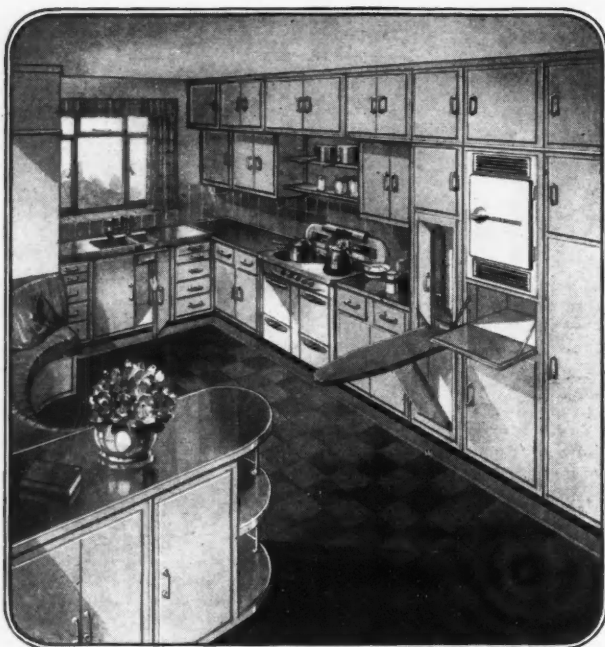


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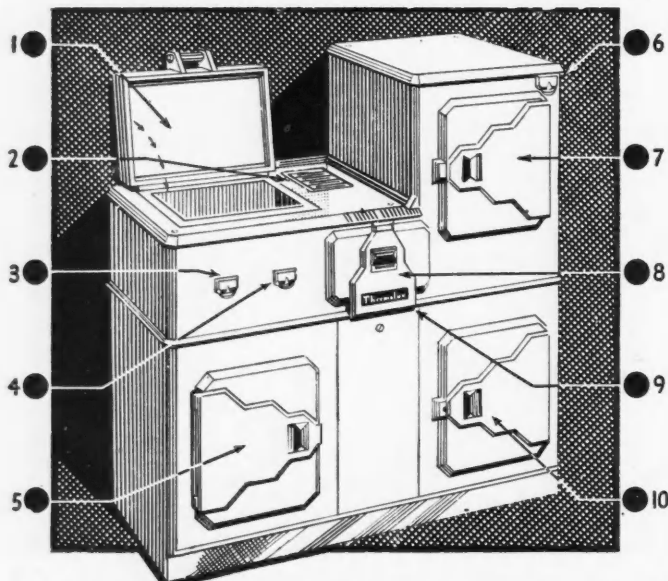
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## FARM LAND VALUES BETWEEN THE WARS

REFERENCES in these columns to the sustained demand for agricultural land of all types and to the high prices that such land invariably commands at the present time have prompted a reader to write and ask if I can supply him with "statistics illustrating the fluctuations of farm values between the end of the first world war and the present day." On the face of it this may seem a reasonable enough request, involving no more than a diligent searching of past issues of COUNTRY LIFE with the object of tracing specific properties in various parts of the country that have been sold at auction on more than one occasion during the past thirty years and comparing the average prices paid per acre. Unfortunately it is not as simple as that.

To begin with, real estate, and farmland in particular, has never been a commodity the true value of which could be appraised with any degree of accuracy, since the price that it commands is often subject to artificial influences that have no connection with agriculture, although the Town and Country Planning Act, with its insistence that all land should change hands at its existing use value, should go some way towards ensuring that its true value is reflected in future. Another factor that makes it impossible to produce accurate statistics is that the prices paid for properties sold by private treaty, which are probably a fairer reflection of true values than those paid at auction, since they are generally based on the agreed figures of professional valuers, are seldom disclosed.

## AN OVERALL PICTURE

HOWEVER, for those who want an overall picture of the fluctuations in the prices of farm land between the wars, it may be of interest to reproduce statistics given by Mr. D. K. Britton, of the Agricultural Economics Research Institute, Oxford, in an article in the *Farm Economist*. The author, whose findings are derived from a study of the *Estate Exchange Year Book*, is alive to the many conflicting factors that tend to confuse even the broad picture that he seeks to paint, for in stating that his findings are based on prices paid for farms sold at auction, he writes: "Although it is certain that in some years at least 100,000 acres of farm land have been sold in this way, it is not known whether such land constitutes the bulk of all farm land sold, nor whether auction sale prices are fairly representative of all land-sale prices. Moreover, land changing hands in any given year, whether by auction or private treaty, is not necessarily a fair sample of all farm land."

From 1918 to 1939 6,358 farms are tabulated, with a total acreage of 793,000, representing an average of about 300 farms per year and 125 acres per farm. Average prices per acre are calculated for farms in various size-groups up to 300 acres. As a result of this assessment it is found that before the outbreak of war in 1939 land prices stood at approximately £27 an acre, compared with £21 in 1929, and £35 in 1920. In some respects the changes in land prices conformed fairly closely to the prices of agricultural products. For example, both were in a trough in the early 1930s, but had recovered appreciably by 1937. But it is noticeable that land prices were relatively buoyant in the 1920s until they slumped in 1929, whereas agricultural prices continued their post-1920 fall until as late as 1933.

## PURCHASING POWER OF THE £

BUT perhaps the most significant paragraph in Mr. Britton's article (and one that finally convinces one of the futility of comparing the prices of land) is that which reads: "Although the cash value of farm land fell from £35 an acre in 1920 to £21 an acre in 1929, its real value in terms of the goods which that cash would buy was actually higher from 1922 onwards than it was at the height of the boom in 1920 when, in the words of the editor of the *Year Book*, 'the Property Market experienced phenomenal activity' and 'all England seemed to be changing hands.' Again, in 1920, when 'a notable feature of the market was the high prices obtained for . . . agricultural land; the real exchange value of land was only about half of what it was to be twelve years later (when the average price per acre stood at some £12 10s. less)'. Thus, if at the present time farm land is fetching higher prices than ever before (and there is little doubt that it is) it should be remembered that the purchasing power of the £ now stands in the neighbourhood of 16s. and that if a property that was sold for £20,000 in 1932 now fetches £25,000, its actual value is probably much the same.

## £90,000 FOR NORFOLK ESTATE

NEWS of yet another important sale of agricultural land in East Anglia is received from Messrs. R. C. Knight and Sons, who send details of the auction of the late Sir Edward Stacey's Rackheath Park estate of 1,512 acres, near Norwich. A total of more than £90,000 was realised by this sale, a feature of which was the exceptionally high prices paid for timber. Lot 15, for example, comprising freehold woodland of just under eight acres, was sold for £4,700, an average of approximately £600 an acre.

At Horsham, Sussex, 616 acres of Mr. R. B. Fielding's Okehurst estate, Wisborough Green, near Petworth, fetched £37,550 at an auction conducted by Messrs. Lofts and Warner and Messrs. Henry Smith and Son. Here again growing timber was in strong demand.

A Yorkshire village is likely to change hands in the near future as the result of Lord De L'Isle and Dudley's decision to sell Ingleby Greenhow, near Middlesbrough. Lord De L'Isle is reported to have said that, since taxation makes it impossible for him to be as good a landlord as he would wish, he prefers not to be a landlord at all.

## TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE

A REPORT to the effect that a house built three years ago at Chipping Hill, near Witham, Essex, and described by its owner-designer as an "architectural stew," had been listed by the Ministry of Town and Country Planning as a place of historical and architectural interest seemed too good to be true.

The answer to my first request to the Ministry for information suggested that perhaps they had been led away by the "leaded windows, uneven brickwork, heavy oak-timbered ceilings, panelled doors of Tudor design and unfaced brick fireplaces, with heavy timber beams for mantelpieces that give (to the house) an almost authentic air of antiquity." But "Not at all," now say the Ministry, who state that it was all a matter of confused nomenclature involving the house and a number of genuine old cottages which they were seeking to preserve.

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## PUZZLING SHOTS (9)

## Curling Pheasants



It may be that a curling pheasant is really a tricky shot, rather than a puzzling shot. When a bird is curling like a boomerang and side-slipping in a strong wind, there is nothing very mysterious about missing it.

One should remember that with crossing birds, curl can in practice be ignored, as the normal swing of the gun allows for it sufficiently. With approaching birds, however, the gun must be swung right through the bird and in the direction of the curl. Similarly, one should swing below a bird taken behind—at the same time following the curl.

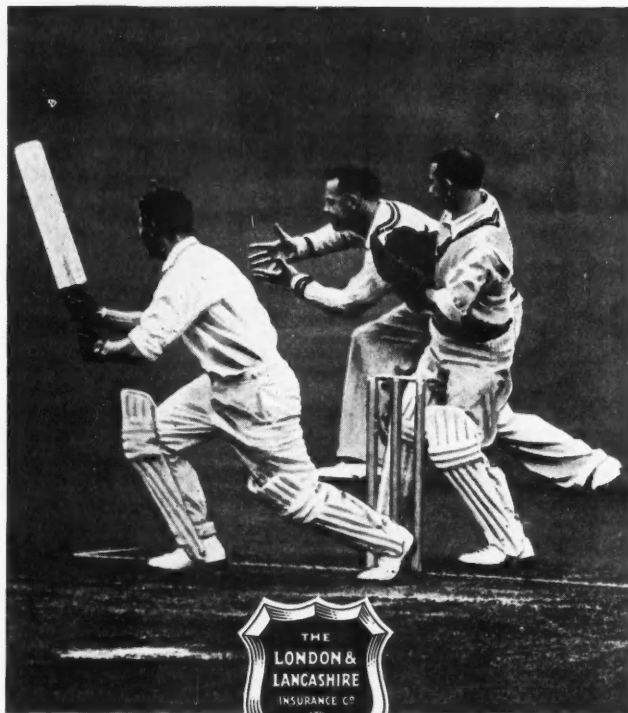


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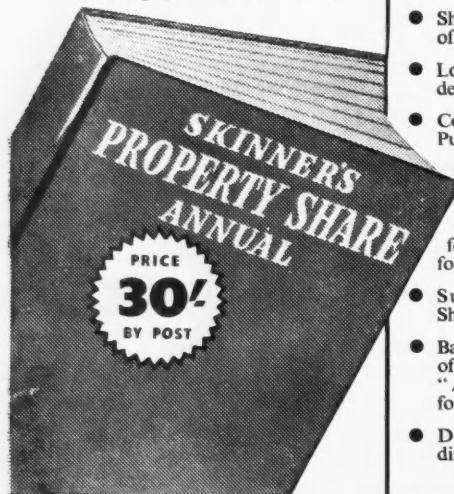
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## NEW BOOKS

# WHERE THACKERAY FAILS

Reviews by HOWARD SPRING

PROFESSOR J. Y. T. GREIG, the author of *Thackeray: A Reconsideration* (Oxford University Press 12s. 6d.), sets out his intention clearly. "This book is not a biography of Thackeray. It might be called the study of a novelist *manqué*. I shall try to show how fact interfered with fiction; or (to put it in another way) how Thackeray the artist failed to overcome Thackeray the man."

It is impossible to consider Thackeray without soon confronting this question: "Why is it that this writer who, when at his best, is superb, is so often at anything but his best?"

married, had an atrocious termagant of a mother-in-law; and, when he was the father of two daughters, found himself, after only four years of marriage, tied for life to a wife who had gone hopelessly insane.

He potted about with journalism, and was nearly forty when *Vanity Fair* made him famous. He was in love with Jane Brookfield, the wife of a friend, and later with a girl in America; but nothing (save revealing letters and much bitter heartburn) came of these obsessions. His mother, for whom he had pined as a child when he was in England and she in India, remained always a powerful influence

THACKERAY: A RECONSIDERATION. By J. Y. T. Greig  
(Oxford University Press, 12s. 6d.)

HAPLY I MAY REMEMBER. By Cynthia Asquith  
(James Barrie, 15s.)

METHUSELAH'S DIARY. By Horace Annesley Vachell  
(Hutchinson, 16s.)

If I say something of my own experience in the approach to Thackeray it is merely because it is symptomatic. I have read little of him, for this reason: I have never in my life "studied" a novelist's work for the sake of the study. I go to the books, and if I like them I read them. In many cases I read them all; in some I read them more than once; and so the "study" achieves itself. With Thackeray my experience was this. *Henry Esmond* seemed to me one of the greatest novels of our language, and *Vanity Fair* hardly less good. *Pendennis* and *The Newcomes* were not, like these two, gold; but they were gold-mines, having nuggets amid much dross. And there, for me, it ended. I tried to read other Thackeray novels; I tried to read what he had to say about snobs and footmen, about English writers and English kings. I found no finger beckoning, no deep impulse urging. And so, as always with books that thus affect me, I put them down and I have never again taken them up.

Though Professor Greig, of course, has read all the books, it is roughly this same problem that confronts him, and his solution of the problem is in the phrases I have quoted: "Fact interfered with fiction. Thackeray the artist failed to overcome Thackeray the man."

### INSANE WIFE

What do we know of Thackeray the man? Put with perhaps unhelpful brevity, his career was this. He was born in India of well-to-do middle-class people. He was sent to England to be educated, was unhappy as a child at school, was lazy as an undergraduate at Cambridge; and didn't know what he wanted to do with his life. He dabbled for a while in a lawyer's office; he dabbled for a time in art schools; he came into a moderate fortune and soon went through it, largely at the gaming-tables. He

in his emotional life. The view which he expressed of "good" women, whatever his view may have been in fact, was the one common to "Victorian morality." In this, he is like Dickens. It is true of both of them that only their "wicked"—and in the case of Dickens the comic—women have any life. But there is a difference in their personal conduct: Dickens took his Ellen Ternan; Thackeray did not take Jane Brookfield—if she would have taken him, which is doubtful.

Now the whole theme of Professor Greig's book is that the experiences briefly set out above formed, in an undigested state, so great a part of Thackeray's work that though he had moments when he wrote passages as great as any in English fiction, he failed as a novelist. The words in italics are the essence of the matter, for, if it is true of poetry that its root is "emotion recollected in tranquillity" this is no less true of fiction. It is Professor Greig's point that far too often Thackeray was not, if I may so put it, a knitter who has considered and decided upon the shape and nature of the garment, but a kitten helplessly embroiled with the immediate and embarrassing tangles of a ball of wool.

### HIS OEDIPUS COMPLEX

Perhaps he runs the "mother-fixation" too hard; and here and there he makes points that seem to me inadmissible, as when he says that Thackeray "did little to reform those he pilloried. He had no effective cure for the 'sickness of an acquisitive society'." I don't think it is a novelist's job to reform people or to cure the sickness of society, though I shall not here digress into what I think the job is. But it is certainly not to dish up slabs of his own emotional experiences hot from the oven. Professor Greig's book is successful in showing us to what an alarming extent Thackeray



did that, though this is by no means more than an interesting enquiry into one aspect of this large and enigmatic figure.

#### AN ASQUITH'S RECOLLECTIONS

Lady Cynthia Asquith gives us in *Haply I May Remember* (James Barrie, 15s.), a glimpse—no more—into her world as in her time. It is a world of three-fold aspect: aristocratic, literary and artistic. Three country houses form the background of the aristocratic side of the story. There was the ancient and charming Stanway in the Cotswolds, where her parents lived, and where she and her brothers and sisters grew up; there was Clouds in Wiltshire; and there was Gosford in Scotland. Clouds was the home of her mother's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Wyndham, and there as a child she was rescued in the nick of time when the great house was burned to the ground, to be soon re-erected stone by stone. Gosford, the home of her paternal grandfather, the Earl of Wemyss, who lived to a great age, a resolute and undeviating anachronism, was "neither, like Stanway, entirely old nor, like Clouds, entirely new." It was an odd place to find in Scotland, seeming "to implore a blue Italian sky. Silhouetted against the cold grey northern light, the poised Vases, heraldic lions and swans that ornamented the roof looked shiveringly cold."

It is no wonder that, of the three places, Stanway, originally the summer residence of the Abbots of Tewkesbury, who had it filched from them at the dissolution of the monasteries, was nearest to her heart. For one thing, Sir James Barrie, whose secretary she later became, used, years after, to rent Stanway in the summer months, and so the house is associated with her literary as well as her personal life. We are given a good picture of how children grew up in a house like that, poor enough, for the father was improvident, but with a great family gaiety.

At Clouds we touch on politics a little, for there the son of the house, the author's uncle, was the fascinating George Wyndham, who found his political graveyard in Ireland, as I am just old enough to remember.

#### LIBERAL LEADER "A RED PORTENT"

Lady Cynthia married one of Mr. Asquith's sons, not altogether pleasing Grandpapa Wemyss, who saw in the Liberal leader a Red portent. She had a face which attracted numerous artists, and in this book we have pictures of her by Burne-Jones, Sargent, Augustus John, Violet Rutland and Nora Brassey. Ambrose McEvoy was for ever painting her, and despairingly painting her out, and her friendship with Professor Tonks and Wilson Steer was close and intimate. She gives us a great deal about the life of the studios, with literary men dropping in: George Moore looking like "a dejected slug," and D. H. Lawrence wandering round Augustus John's studio muttering "Mortuus est, mortuus est." And then, "gathering volume, his voice became a tolling bell. Suddenly, raising his head, he summed up the situation with the sepulchral utterance 'Let the Dead paint the Dead!'" John, one is pleased to read, "showed wonderful tolerance of this curious behaviour."

We meet many men of letters in the book, but here the author tends to be sketchy, and it is to be hoped that she will give us something fuller one

of these days on Barrie in particular, whom she knew so well. She promises to do so: "to describe as they appeared to me Arthur Balfour, Charles Whibley, Walter Raleigh, D. H. Lawrence, J. M. Barrie and others." To be going on with, this present evocation is excellent.

#### LIFE WHEN NEARLY NINETY

Mr. Shaw, I think, is our only man of letters who has passed the 90 mark; but we have three runners-up, all novelists: Mr. Eden Phillpotts who, at 88, keeps up a remarkably steady output; Mr. Robert Hichens, who is 86 and still writes; and Mr. Horace Annesley Vachell who, in *Methuselah's Diary* (Hutchinson, 16s.) writes, under the date October, 1948, "I shall enter my 88th year this month," so that he will enter his 90th year next October. Listed in this book are Mr. Vachell's works, which include 51 novels and total 85, so that, throughout his writing life, he must have kept up an output of more than a book or play a year. And this although he has found plenty to do in other directions: "riding to hounds, shooting, stalking and salmon fishing, not to mention golf, croquet and lawn tennis."

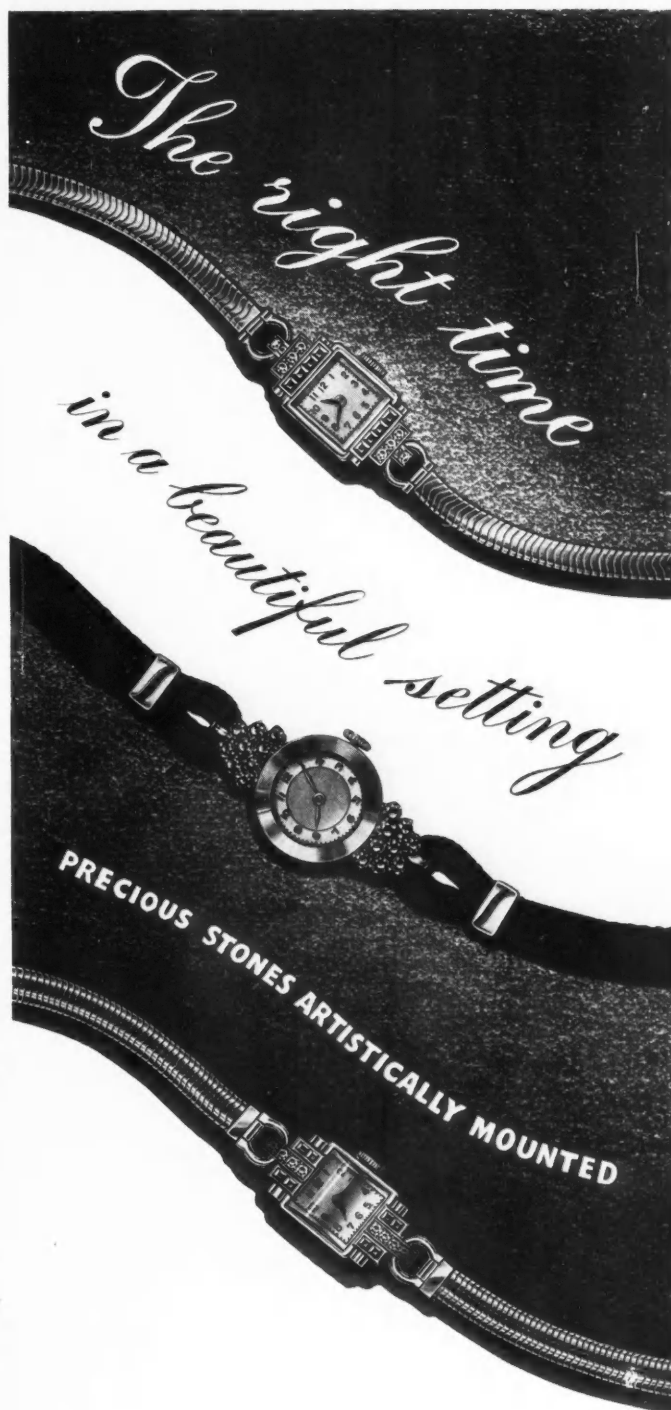
In honourable retirement near Bath, he allows his mind in this diary to play now over the events of his crowded past, now over the day-to-day happenings of the three months in 1948 that the diary covers. He is a gourmet and a connoisseur of wines, liking to "work lightly with a Briton's beloved tools: knife, fork and corkscrew."

This book professes to do no more—and does no more—than "beguile an old man's leisure." Its conclusion was fittingly toasted in a bottle "velvety, fragrant, full of sunshine, all that a great wine should be." We leave him, well content with life, enjoying, in Shakespeare's words, a "relish of the saltiness of time," but a foreword to the book speaks of a sudden and tragic bereavement that came upon him when the book was ended. He must forgive an unusual course if I end a review with a condolence, sincerely intended.

#### A HISTORY OF SEALED BOTTLES

READERS of Pepys's *Diary* will remember that in 1663 he went to the Mitre to see the wine put into his crested bottles, but not all of them may know what those bottles were like. *Sealed Bottles*, by Sheelah Ruggles-Brise (COUNTRY LIFE, 30s.), will repair that omission. This detailed and scholarly work, with its numerous illustrations by Barbara Ashby, traces the history of these serving bottles adorned on the shoulder with a glass seal, which might be that of a private person, a tavern, a college, or a town, from the middle of the 17th century. Lady Ruggles-Brise, exploring a field hitherto little known, has amassed a wealth of information about the crests and coats-of-arms that form these seals—their date, the significance of the name or initials that accompany them and so on—and about public and private collections of them. She gives some particularly interesting information about two American collections which suggest that the practice of sealing one's bottle with a name and/or a date crossed the Atlantic not long after the Pilgrim Fathers. T. J.

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and Autumn*



White shantung silk dress with a cap sleeve that is a continuation of the bodice, and a collar that follows the line. Liberty. The wide brimmed straw hat is by Simone Mirman

THE combined collections of wholesalers held in London for the yearly fashion fortnight emphasised trends for the early autumn. The short full-backed jacket with a flat front appeared in many collections generally with a half belt at the back placed very low. The short sac jacket with cutaway curving fronts and high buttoning was another style that appeared again and again. The full-length casual coat with a widish hemline that can be worn two ways, either belted or straight, is a summer style that is being continued into the autumn, as are the tuxedo front and the kimona sleeve. Many collars are neat and turn down, but the wide spreading collar edged with fur that can be worn up or down is an equally marked characteristic in the coat ranges.

Suit skirts are slim and straight, but the sunray pleated skirt with a shortish jacket keeps its place. The wraparound skirt with a deep pleat over the left knee, the straight skirt with an inverted pleat in the centre back, and the skirt with a petal-shaped front are leading styles in the thicker smooth-surfaced materials for the autumn. The jacket with low horseshoe front appears on many town suits in sleek dark cloth; so do long wide revers that are often faced with a dark silk matching the cloth.

The rigid price groups are rapidly disappearing and merging. The old ceiling price has largely gone, while Utility suits and coats, delightfully styled at prices round about £7 make an extremely good buying proposition. They have been among the most attractive clothes shown by the model wholesalers. In Mayfair, almost all the great *couturiers*



A tailored linen frock, in smokey grey, with three-quarter sleeves. The tubular silhouette is made for a tiny hat; the necklace and gloves are in white. Laeta Ramage

Sun or dance dress in fine uncrushable rayon shantung; dove grey starred with black, with the strapless folded top in black shantung. Matita

have opened *boutiques* where they make at considerably reduced prices with one fitting, while several stores are reopening their Court dressmaking salons, where they make to measure from their own designs or copy Paris models. They then keep the prices in their ready-to-wear departments down to about £15.

At Jacqmar's they have opened a ready-to-wear department where suits and coats in their own fabrics are being produced at prices ranging from twenty guineas. Workrooms have been re-equipped with American machinery and the elaborate American system of sizing is being followed. Some designs are American, some English, and in the autumn collection they closely resemble each other, though perhaps the American coats have a slightly softer outline. The simple plain suits have waists defined by narrow leather belts. Rich "stained-glass-window" colours were featured for town-and-country tweed suits which had architectural detail placed on the pockets, emphasising the hips. Reversible suit-weight tweeds were a novelty, while a thick reversible coating made the most spectacular item—a three-quarter coat, full as an Edwardian golf cape, with deep armholes set in with jagged points into the front and back. This could be worn inside out, as it was completely reversible.

The London parades staged during this fortnight were very well





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attended by foreign buyers, who found both styles and prices attractive. Several points made in the various collections indicate next winter's fashions. Dereta are featuring plaids and royal purple. Matita show more plaids combined with plain for waistcoat suits composed of a straight short jacket curved to disclose the waistcoat; their skirts are slim and straight and can be worn with alternative jackets or sweaters. A sleek look to the Wolsey jersey two-pieces and tailored frocks is achieved by fly fronts, stitched revers and neat turndown collars. The apron-fronts, accordion pleated, in the Marcus collection flatter the figure and solve the problem of sitting out a pleated skirt. Sheathlike black frocks combine touches of black ottoman, satin or moiré with black wool.

Petrol blue, a deep greyed Prussian blue, is launched in this house for town ensembles. Travella show a bronze moleskin tailored three-quarter coat in their utility range, also a short full-backed curly grey lamb that barely reaches the hipbone; both are at wonderful prices. A link fox collar on a smart grey cloth coat is a charming idea in this collection as it can be worn as well over frocks or suits, while the coat underneath is a closely fitting plain cloth—very smart. A horse-blanket plaid made a slim straight coat at Rensor with raglan sleeves and a medium-sized collar that could be turned up to the ears or folded down flat over the shoulders.

**N**UMBERS of new fabrics appeared in these collections; a thick silky shantung with a shiny surface and the slub in wool has an attractive lustre and combines well with wool. Stained-glass-window stripes and check silks in mixed



A Chesro frock in a fine pliable white rayon called Lystav, piped with navy and embroidered with navy *broderie anglaise* on the bodice

rich glowing colours make the cocktail dresses; so does faconnée ottoman silk, where the design is an interlacing floral, in the Jacobean tradition, on the dull ribbed surface.

A 108-inch-wide rayon net was one of the novelties on display at the Rayon Centre. This avoids these unsightly seams slanting across the sides of beautiful skirts. Yarn-dyed rayon satins gain a new depth of colour to their lustrous surfaces by the process. A cloqué rayon taffeta, dotted with tiny chenille flower-heads that are woven in, made a short evening skirt that looked quilted. Sheer filament rayon marquises with an overcheck in nylon yarn acquired added crispness while retaining their fragile appearance. On the printed fabrics, black pencil underlined the motif of many of the designs, which were often irregularly shaped groups of flower-heads and foliage casually scattered. Moynex has used one of the yarn-dyed satins in this collection for the full short gored skirt of an evening dress and for the brief jacket that buttons on over the black braid lace strapless top. He makes it in a brilliant emerald green rayon-dyed satin.

Cotton organdies designed by Ascher for midsummer are dotted with huge flower-heads in exotic colours—roses that might have been plucked from Victorian wool embroidery, begonias and orchids from some tropical garden. And again the outline is often in bold black pencil. The cotton squares for the south are equally violent in colour and design—huge splashy borders in white zigzags or wavy lines with the centre in emerald, tangerine, cobalt-blue or geranium-pink.

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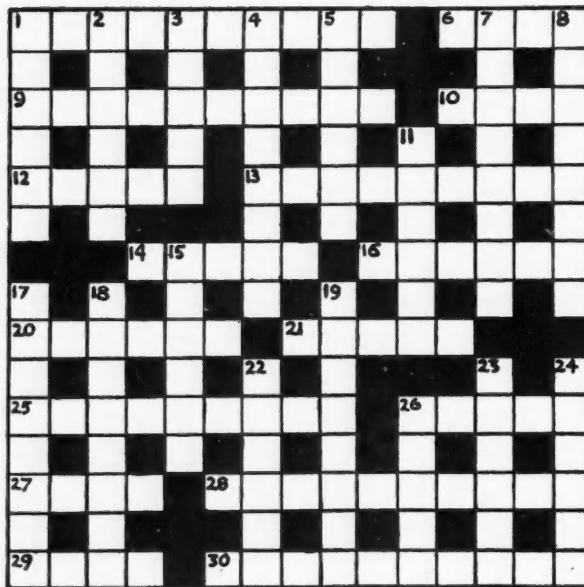
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**ACROSS.**—1, Antelope; 5, Heaped; 9, Artistic; 10, Repeal; 11 and 12, The lap of luxury; 14, Mouth-organ; 18, Clavichord; 22 and 23, Figure of speech; 24, Orator; 25, Brougham; 26, Dressy; 27, Steeples; **DOWN.**—1, Awaits; 2, Titles; 3, Lascar; 4, Philosophy; 6, Executor; 7, Prejudice; 8, Delaying; 13, Stern first; 15, Scaffold; 16, Language; 17, Vitreous; 19, Spruce; 20, Bethel; 21, Chimse.

### ACROSS

1. Perhaps a newcomer to the track (10)
6. Any amount to draw (4)
9. Urn with red vote upset (10)
10. This turn might be given by rats (4)
12. She was a *casus belli* (5)
13. Headgear for the alert (9)
- 14 and 16. Presumably they are themselves covered by the *couvert* (11)
20. It was discovered in 1781 (6)
21. You can tell them by the feel (5)
25. Urge in Eve to be made a queen (9)
26. Are such politics all moonshine? (5)
27. No string for stretching (4)
28. Tint in Mars (anagr.) (10)
- 29 and 30. People who give life its savour (4, 2, 3, 5)

### DOWN

1. The head of Goliath for David (6)
2. In one respect it has the characteristic of a Cyclops (6)
3. The fate of the lady of Riga (5)
4. Appropriate send-off to a hungry Briton going abroad (8)
5. It is not only too energetic cooks who may supply it (6)
7. Strays, presumably, to become cats to us (8)
8. "If the assassination  
"Could trammel up the consequence, and catch  
"With his ——— success"—*Shakespeare* (8)
11. Giving cover to a friend does not look well (6)
15. Entertained by being employed in the morning (6)
17. They don't need to complain about having only one pair of hands (8)
18. Lamia can turn violent (8)
19. Get an author to ride them (8)
22. Credit given (6)
23. What a wet Ascot seems to the ladies' dresses (6)
24. "Shoulder'd his ———, and show'd how field were won"—*Goldsmith* (6)
26. Turner's indispensable assistant (5)

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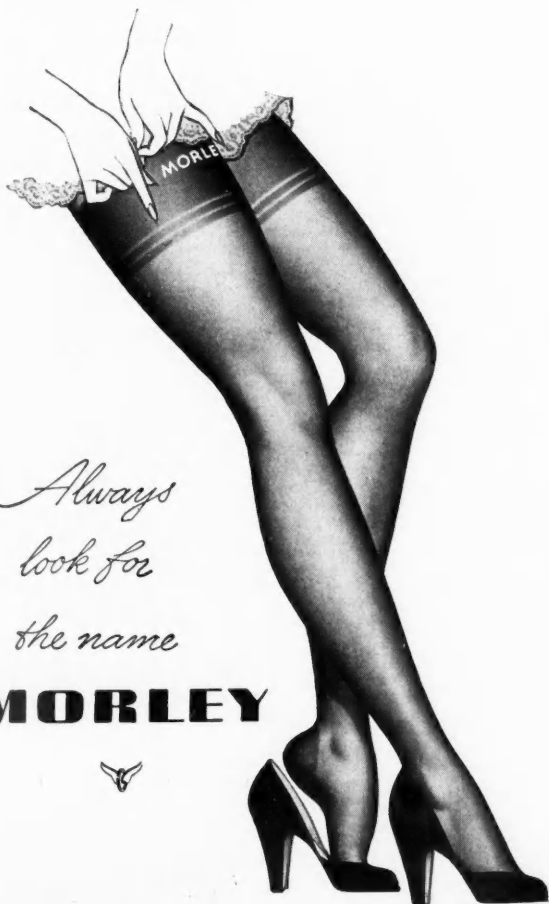
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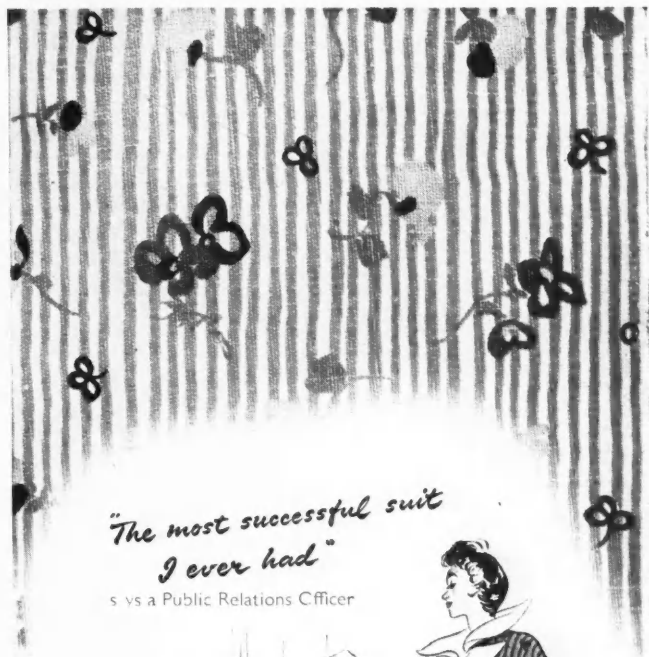
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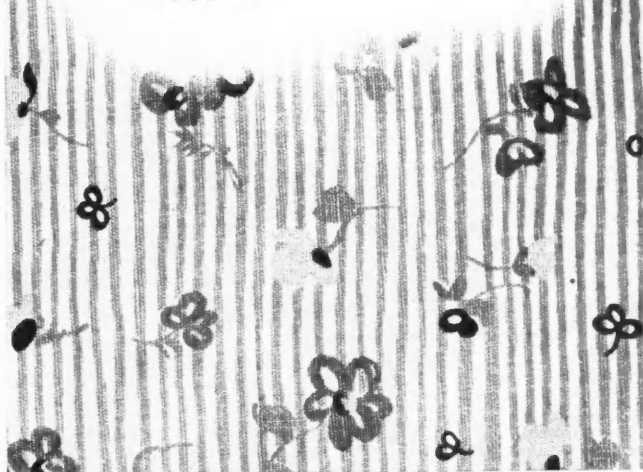
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